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HITLER'S 'S. O. S' TO GAULEITERS

NO OPTION FOR HITLER

Must Accept Unconditional Surrender

LONDON, March 27 (U.P.I.)—Latest news from the various war fronts round Germany suggests that the Third Reich is shrinking fast.

Hitler is faced with a gigantic dilemma which he can solve only by accepting the unconditional surrender terms of the United Nations.

The talk of the day is the various reports coming from Sweden and Switzerland that Hitler and his close associates may be preparing Germany to receive the news of complete defeat. This belief is further strengthened by the report published in the "Evening Standard" that Hitler has called an emergency meeting of all the gauleiters and ministers for the night at Berchtesgaden.

A German War Office spokesman confirmed, it is learnt, that "The war situation on the Western and Eastern Fronts is so grave that the German nation must be prepared to receive the unfortunate news."

This is construed by the diplomatic students of Europe as a report of German despondency which may lead to final capitulation of the German Army. This week and the following are regarded as the most crucial and decisive weeks in this way. Does it mean the war in Europe will end by April 7, the date which was so much talked about in this connection?

NO CONFIDENCE IN AURANGZEB KHAN

Walk-Out In Frontier Muslim League

PESHAWAR, March 27 (U.P.I.)—Heated discussion are reported to have arisen at a meeting of the Provincial Muslim League held today. Owing to differences of opinion Sardar Aurangzeb Khan and his party walked out of the meeting.

The meeting passed a resolution expressing no-confidence in the leadership of Sardar Aurangzeb Khan.

Kasturbhai To Represent Govt. At Washington

KARACHI, March 26. (A.P.)

Mr. Kasturbhai Lalbhai, a prominent millowner of Ahmedabad and member of the Indian Central Cotton Committee, has left for Washington where he will represent the Government of India at the meeting of the Committee of the combined production and resources board.

Use Of Poison Gas Their Last Resort?

BERCHTESGADEN TALKS

Allies Capture Offenbach: Advance North Of Wesel Continues

(From Our Correspondent)

LONDON, March 27.—A great Allied tidal wave east of Rhine contjnues to swamp the outnumbered, outmanoeuvred and disorganised German defences.

There is good news from every sector with possibility of becoming distinctly better during the next 24 to 48 hours.

This is the week in which anything and every thing can happen. Patton's present drive is most surprising and dramatic throughout the war on any front. It is aimed towards Exger in Czechoslovakia. Between Frankfort and Egger is flat country—ideal country for tanks. Patton is expected soon to join up Koniev at Egger.

Nazis long contemplated making final stand in southern Germany. Nazi leaders even have been planning making Berchtesgaden their Headquarters holding out long enough after defeat, hoping for divisions between the Big Three to make possible their return to power. All such hope has now vanished. Neither Kesselring on the western front nor Guderian from the Eastern Front is in position to spare any forces to prevent Patton's advance.

PATTON'S DRIVE

Patton's drive must go down in military history as the greatest strategical move ever made. Unquestionably Patton is war's outstanding Blitzkrieg General. Even Russians admit he is capable. Berlin is not important any longer. Allied bombers lessened its importance and it can be written off the Allied strategical map. Nazis, fooled from east and from west to keep forces ready to defend Berlin. If Allies wanted they could take Berlin to-morrow but they are uninterested sacrificing men and material for the sake of mere prestige.

"USE POISON GAS"

Now definitely it can be said that war has entered final phase in Europe although much hard fighting still lies ahead but collapse should not be surprising if it came any moment.

Meanwhile all kinds of rumours, all insisting that Hitler is facing the biggest struggle of his life, has summoned all Gauleiters to Berchtesgaden. Last Sunday he conferred with the closest Nazi associates. It is noted that no Army leader not even Keitel was present. Hitler is said to have told comrades, "If we don't use poison gas we have lost."

ALLIES CAPTURE OFFENBACH

LONDON, March 27: A German 'communique' reports the loss of Offenbach, industrial suburb of Frankfurt after heavy fighting.

Advance North Of Wesel

S.H.A.E.F., PARIS, March 27:—General Eisenhower's 'communique' to-day said: "Allied forces continued to strengthen their bridgehead over the Rhine north of the Ruhr." The advance continues north of Wesel and good progress was made between the Lippe canal and Dinslaken.

In the Central sector the communique confirmed that Allied troops made a twenty-two mile advance to Limburg.

Reporting on General Patton's thrust the communique said that his troops "have entered the outskirts of Frankfurt." Two German counter-attacks, one to the south of Hanau (on the main river) and the other at Aschaffenburg were bombed by Allied planes.

Further south, the 'communique' said, another Rhine crossing was made without air or artillery preparation. On Sunday, the Allies took 15,132 prisoners.

MILLIGEN CAPTURED

The great news is that bridges are across and the way is open. In the last 24 hours troops of th 18th American airborne division have linked up with the Ninth Army troops along the Lippe river and have driven three miles along river against no opposition. Milligen has been captured. How long the Germans there will continue to hold positions in view of the collapse of the front just south of them is problematic. It looks as if Allied armour may soon break loose in thrusts through the rich rolling farmlands north of the Ruhr.

BRIDGEHEAD OVER RHINE NORTH OF MANHEIM

Seventh United States Army Hq. Tuesday: A bridgehead over the Rhine north of Manheim has been established by the Seventh Army.

The bridgehead is 19 miles long and four miles deep. (This is the first intimation where the crossing announced last night has been made).

GEN. HODGE'S TANK COLUMNS ADVANCE

From Reuter's Special Correspondent with the United States First Army, March 27: Advanced elements of General Hodge's United States Ninth Army tank columns are to-day 40 to 50 miles east of the Rhine.

American forces added 11 miles to their eastward advance when they pushed on north-east from Limburg to Weilburg on the Lahn river. Total advances yesterday by different Columns of the United States First Army were 28, 30 and 35 miles on a 36 mile front.

In the north and centre of the Remagen bridgehead, powerful tank and motorised columns in the face of heavy opposition of all kinds except air reached Giessenhausen and Hacksen 24 miles east of the Rhine.

In the southern sector, Arfurt six miles east of Limburg was reached during the night.

Argentina Declares War On Axis

BUENOS AIRES, March 27. (U.P.A.): Argentine has officially declared war on the Axis.

STOP PRESS

ENEMY U-BOATS ATTACKED

LONDON, Tuesday, (Reuter): Seven U-Boats, a destroyer and fourteen other ships were attacked in western Baltic, Dutch and Norwegian waters by R. A. F. Coastal Command last night, says the Air Ministry. Final results of this operation are not yet known, but preliminary reports indicate that they were good.

AMERICAN-ARMIES LINK-UP

LONDON, March 28 (U.P.A.)—The B.B.C. recorded a message from General Bradley's Headquarters to the effect that American First and Third Armies have linked up.

Radio Luxemburg said that Wiesbaten has been captured.

JAPAN PREPARES FOR 20-YEARS WAR

LONDON, March 27 (U.P.A.)—Radio Tokyo hinted today that the Japanese were planning to continue waging war on a "resistance movement" basis after defeat.

It said that several prominent Japanese, including one former Foreign Minister, met today and "decided to launch peoples movements with the aim of waging a twenty years war against the Anglo-Saxons."

GERMANS, YEARNING FOR PEACE!

LONDON, March 27. (U. P. I.): The number of German peace feelers to the Allies increased sharply during the past week, United Press of America learned to-day.

Many of these were made to the British in neutral capitals by so-called Anti-Nazi representative Germans.

One of these emissaries, who is an influential industrialist with international connections, made the usual approach, disclaiming any responsibility for war or its cruel acts for the German people who he described as "yearning for peace and eager to co-operate in the reconstruction of Europe".

LUFTWAFFE REMAINS ON GROUND

(From D. F. KARAKA, Chronicle War Correspondent.)

SHAEF, March 26.

Cooks' tourists will shortly be crossing the Rhine, judging from the ease with which Allied armies are hopping across this stretch of German water. Eisenhower has also been over to see his Ruhr-bound troops with Generals Bradley and Hodges. Reports here indicate that the American Seventh Army is also across.

While all these major movements are in progress there is not so much as even a mild protest from Luftwaffe. Often our pilots report that German planes are on the ground but they never seem to come up.

While enemy ground opposition was greater than in either Normandy or Holland operations, enemy opposition in the air to Allied air-borne army was nil. This was borne out by a statement of General Williams of American troop-carrier forces. He says "None of approximately 1,600 Allied troop-carrier planes or approximately 1,400 gliders was shot down by enemy aircraft." Ordinary infantryman is all that is left for the defence of the rest of Germany.

U. S. Marines Invade Kerama Islands

NEW YORK, Tuesday, (Reuter):—The Allied doublefisted Pacific war machine is at full throttle to-day with two new invasions reported under way 1,200 miles apart.

Only 350 miles from the Japanese mainland American marines were said by Tokyo to-day to be definitely on the shores of Kerama islands, 15 miles west of the vital island of Okinawa in the Ryukyus in the opening stages of amphibious operations aimed at seizing invasion springboards and air bases on Japan's doorstep.

Far to the south tireless General MacArthur has driven another nail into the Japanese Philippine coffin by the reported assault on the rich sugar producing isle of Cebu.

(SEE PAGE 5)

Parliament Adjourns

LONDON, March 27. (Reuter): Both the House of Parliament adjourned early to-day as a mark of respect to the memory of Earl Lloyd George.

Ahmednagar Fort Jail To Be Closed On Mar. 31

Congress Working Committee Members To Be Transferred To Their Provinces

AHMEDNAGAR, March 27. (A.P.I.): It is understood that the jail in Ahmednagar Fort is to be closed before the 31st instant.

All the members of the Congress Worknig Committee who are detained in this Fort jail, it is understood, will be transferred to their respective Provinces in the next four days.

The news that Acharya Kripalani has been transferred to Karachi is not confirmed in official circles here. He is said to be still here with his other colleagues.

Kripalani For Karachi

POONA, March 27 (A.P.I.)—Acharya Kripalani, General Secretary of the Indian National Congress who is being transferred from Ahmednagar Fort Jail, passed through Poona to-night. It is learnt he will be taken to Karachi.

A big crowd of local Congressmen was present at the station to give him a send off. Kripalani, who has grown a trimmed beard looked quite cheerful.

SARDAR & DEO FOR YERAVDA

It is understood that the other members of the Working Committee will be transferred from the jail within a day or two. Sardar Vallabhbhai Patel and Mr. Shankarrao Deo will be brought to the Yeravda Jail, Poona.

Syed Hopes For Early Settlement

KARACHI, March 27 (A.P.I.)

Hope of an early Congress-Muslim League understanding was expressed by Mr. G. M. Syed, President of the Sind Provincial Muslim League, while speaking on a Re. 1 cut motion of Sheikh Abdul Majid in the Sind Assembly to-day.

Mr. Syed added, that he would do everything possible to bring about such an understanding. At the same time Mr. Syed appealed to the Congress leaders to make an effort to understand the Muslim League viewpoint. Even Mahatma Gandhi had accepted the principle of self-determination. There were forces within the League and the Congress which would bring about another meeting between the leaders of the two organisations. Therefore Mr. Syed advised Congressmen neither to disrupt the League ranks nor to encourage those who were against the League.

Mrs. Kale Sees Gandhiji

WARDHAGANJ, March 27 (U.P.I.)—Mrs. Anusuyabai Kale, Deputy Speaker of the C.P. and Berar Legislative Assembly, visited Sevagram yesterday and met Mahatma Gandhi for some time. It is reported that she delivered to Gandhiji, Mr. Bhulabhai Desai's letter in reply to the one which she carried on her way to Delhi last week.

The "United Press" learns that the mercy petitions submitted by Mrs. Kale to the Secretary of the Viceroy on behalf of the seven Chimur and Ashti prisoners, in her capacity as the President of the Capital Punishment Relief Society, are now on their way to England.

Kher And Mitchell Meet

KOLHAPUR, March 27 (U.P.I.)—Mr. B. G. Kher, former Premier of Bombay and Mr. A. N. Mitchell, Prime Minister of Kolhapur, who is on leave, met at Bombay in their personal capacities stated Mr. J. P. Naik, Secretary to the Development Minister, who was also present.

It is understood that they discussed the Pangire case and Mr. Kher's statement on the case followed this discussion.

P. C. Ghosh For Bombay

CALCUTTA, March 27

Dr. Profulla Ghosh is leaving for Bombay on March 30 to meet Mahatma Gandhi. As at present programmed he intends to spend one week there and the return to Calcutta.

It is understood Dr. Ghosh during his stay in Bombay will have talks with Gandhiji on the political as also general situation in the country. Parliamentary developments in the Provinces may also come up for discussion. The constructive programme 'vis-a-vis' the cloth scarcity and other problems facing the country are also likely to be discussed.

Dr. Ghosh is gradually improving in health. His weight has increased to 98 pounds as against 91 when he was at Sevagram after release.—United Press.

I.-G. Of Prisons Interviews Shukla

NAGPUR, March 27. (U.P.D.

Major Jatar, Inspector General of Prisons, Central Provinces, recently interviewed Pandit Ravi Shankar Shukla and Mr. Dwaraka Prasad Misra, ex-Premier and ex-Minister respectively, in the Mandla Jail. Both are stated to be in good health.

Zafrullah And Others For India

LONDON, March 26. (Reuter): The last Indian delegates to the Commonwealth Relations Conference left England by air today. They were, Sir Muhammad Zafrullah Khan, Sir Maharaj Singh, Sir Buta Singh, Mr. N. C. Mehta and Mir Maqbool Mahmoud.

CHURCHILL ON ALLIED UNITY

Big Three To Take Joint Action In Dealing With Defeated Germany

LONDON, March 27 (U.P.A.): Prime Minister Churchill to-day announced to the House of Commons that the Big Three will take joint action in accepting or rejecting any peace offers made by Germany.

He shattered any idea the Germans might hold of attempting a final effort to divide the Allies by trying to make a deal with one of them at the expense of the other.

This means surrender to the Anglo-American armies in the West would mean simultaneous surrender to the Russians in the East.

Mr. Churchill made it clear there will be no public debating about acceptance of the German capitulation.

The Big Three will consider proposals if any and if they are acceptable will announce the fact to the world.

"On anything which touches peace negotiations and so on we should immediately communicate with our Russian and American allies and the House would have to wait necessarily until these discussions had taken place," the Prime Minister said.

He described the moment as one of "extremely rapid military events".

He also sidestepped the question as to whether the German Government had made any proposals during recent months to lay down their arms.

"Such matters, if they arose at any time, would first of all enter immediately into the province of inter-allied discussion.

"We should not be entitled to disclose any matters of that kind except a purely military surrender at the front," Mr. Churchill said.

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AGA KHAN DEPRECATES ZAFRULLAH'S SUGGESTION

People Of India Alone Can Solve Their Political Difficulties, He Says

NAIROBI, March 27. (Reuter): The Aga Khan, in an interview on the future of India, said to-day: "I am convinced that ultimately the people of India alone are the only ones who can solve their political difficulties which cannot be resolved by any outside source whatsoever.

It has been suggested that Britain should make an immediate announcement to the effect that an year after the end of hostilities power in India should be handed over to Indian political parties, provided they reach an agreement among themselves and that failing this agreement Britain should make an award to India of Dominion Status and draw up a constitution according to British ideas. I cannot depreciate the latter suggestion too strongly. It would be ultimately humiliating. You cannot force ideals a people from without and it would be far preferable for Britain herself to militating. You cannot force ideals on wer and responsibility as at present than to try to force her essentially foreign ideals of democracy permanently on India's growth".

The Aga Khan said that recent developments in Kenya indicated optimism and confidence in the future. He emphasized that educational trend, especially for Indians, should be along lines of vocational and technical training.

Eden Suffering From Laringitis

LONDON, March 26 (Reuter): It is officially stated that the Foreign Secretary Mr. Anthony Eden, who has been suffering from Laringitis, has been compelled to cancel his engagements for to-day. The attack is not serious and Mr. Eden hopes to resume active work again in a day or so.

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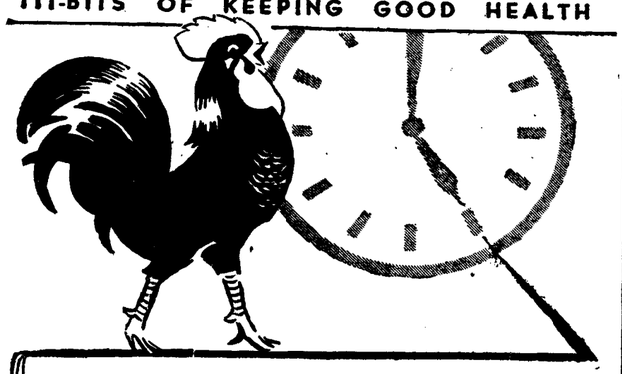

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NO WRIT OF CERTIORARI AGAINST GOVERNMENT

(Before the Hon. Mr. Justice Coyajee)

Dowager Lady Petit and Others, Trustees of a Declaration of Trust dated 17th January 1931 made by Sir Dinshaw Petit (2nd Baronet) ..... Petitioners.

Versus

M. S. Noronha ..... Respondent.

This was an application for a Writ of Certiorari or a Writ of Prohibition against the respondent calling for the records of this matter referred to his arbitration by the Government of Bombay and quashing the proceedings before him.

The petitioners, as trustees, owned a large immovable property at Tardeo admeasuring 1.10.000 square yards. In March 1942 the Controller of Supplies got possession of a considerable part of it under an Agreement to Lease for the purpose of storing motor vehicles, spare parts, etc. But before the lease was executed an order under Rule 79 of the Defence of India Rules was served upon the petitioners on 1st April 1942 requisitioning the whole of that land. On 28th October 1942, the Collector of Bombay served the petitioners with a notice that the property had been acquired pursuant to the requisition under Rule 75A of the Defence of India Rules under which it had been requisitioned, and later on offered to pay Rs. 22,49,770 as compensation for the acquisition. The petitioners contended that the compensation received by them under protest was entirely inadequate and thereafter the Government of Bombay intimated that they had appointed the respondent as arbitrator under Section 19 of the Defence of India Act, to assess compensation. The arbitrator fixed a date for proceeding with the arbitration, but in the meantime the petitioners filed the present application.

Both the order of requisition as well as the order of acquisition were challenged as 'ultra vires' the Government of India Act. It was further contended that the acquisition under emergency legislation was not bona fide and made in order to deprive the petitioners of the additional compensation for the compulsory nature of the compensation to which they would be entitled under section 23 (2) of the Land Acquisition Act.

The Rule was directed to be served on the Provincial Government and the Central Government. The Advocate-General who appeared for the former, raised a preliminary objection that the petition was misconceived.

JUDGMENT

His Lordship held that both the writ of mandamus and the writ of prohibition had been replaced by section 45 of the Specific Relief Act (28 Bom. L.R. 264). His Lordship held that the petitioners had not suffered any legal injury, that they had other specific legal remedies viz., an appeal from the arbitrator's award or a suit, and that by itself the remedy now sought would in effect be incomplete, that therefore the petitioners had not complied with provisos (a), (d) and (e) to section 45. His Lordship was further of opinion that the order would affect the Central and Provincial Governments and would therefore also violate proviso (f) to that section. His Lordship therefore held that the petitioners were not entitled to a writ of prohibition.

His Lordship held that the High Court had the power to issue a writ of certiorari, but that that power was limited by section 306 of the Government of India Act and the Court had no jurisdiction to grant it against the Province of Bombay. His Lordship further held that since the petitioners contended that the arbitration proceedings would be entirely void, the Court would not grant a writ of certiorari where no benefit could arise from granting it.

His Lordship therefore held that the petition was misconceived and discharged the Rule with costs. His Lordship, however, granted to the petitioners a certificate for leave to appeal to the Federal Court on the ground that it involved construction of section 306 of the Government of India Act.

Income From Discontinued Profession Taxable

BOMBAY, Monday.

(Before the Hon'ble the Chief Justice, Mr. Justice Kania and Mr. Justice Chagla).

The Commissioner of Income-tax,

v.

B. M. Kamdar ... Assessee.

The assessee was assessed to income-tax in a total sum of Rs. 34,731 for the assessment year 1939-40 in respect of the accounting year previous which was the calendar year 1938. The item in dispute was Rs. 12,302 described in the Assessment Order as "Profession—Recoveries from outstandings during the calendar year 1938 as per bill book."

Prior to 15th February, 1938, the assessee carried on business as a furniture dealer under the name of "Kamdar Karyalaya" and also practised as a Consulting Engineer. On that date, he sold his furniture business to a limited company to whose business he agreed to devote his whole time and discontinued his practice as Consulting Engineer. The disputed item was earned prior to 1st January, 1938 but was received by him later during the calendar year 1938. The method of accounting adopted by the assessee was the cash basis. The question was whether these outstanding professional fees realized by the assessee during the year under assessment but after discontinuance of the profession were taxable as part of his income for that year. The Income-tax authorities having held that it was, the question so formulated was submitted to the High Court on a Reference under the Income-tax Act. It first came up before the Chief Justice and Mr. Justice Kania who referred it to a Full Bench.

On behalf of the assessee it was contended that profits or gains were only taxable provided the business or profession was still carried on at the time the profits or gains were received, and that looking to the whole scheme of the Income-tax Act, if income was received from a defunct source, it was not liable to tax.

By a majority (the Chief Justice dissenting), it was held that subject to the deductions permitted by Section 10, the income in question was liable to tax. Observing that "income" was nowhere defined in the Income-tax Act, the majority of the Full Bench held that Section 4 of that Act nowhere laid down as a condition of chargeability that the source should be in existence at the time the income was received, and sections 6 to 12 did not in any way limit the conditions of chargeability laid down by section 4. The majority of the Court held that Section 6 which classified earnings for purposes of computation was not a charging section. They therefore held that the particular income was in existence in the accounting year and the assessee was liable to pay tax on all income from all sources in existence in the year under assessment. Distinguishing the English case of Bennett vs. Ogston as based upon a taxing statute entirely different which adopted technical rules which had very little in common with our Income-tax Act, Mr. Justice Chagla stated that even if the assessee had discontinued the profession prior to the accounting year, income from it would still fall under the residuary head in section 12 and be taxable.

Delivering a considered dissenting judgment, the Chief Justice reviewed the scheme of the Act and held that what was taxable was something capable of being processed by the machinery of computation laid down by the Act for inclusion in the total income profits and gains. His Lordship was therefore of opinion that the income in question was not liable to taxation.

Sir Jamshedji Kanga instructed by Messrs. Kamdar & Co. appeared for the assessee.

Mr. M. C. Setalvad instructed by Mr. D. H. Nanavati appeared for the Commissioner of Income-tax.

GOVT. ON BALKAN PATTERN

What Soviet Expects Turkey To Do

LONDON, March 22 (U.P.I.): The Soviet Foreign Office statement giving notice of termination of the Soviet-Turkish treaty of friendship and neutrality is considered in diplomatic circles here as symptomatic of an impending crisis in the Soviet-Turkish relations. It is understood that it was to meet precisely this contingency that the Turkish Government recently decided to line up with the Allies. Moscow, however, remained sceptical about the sincerity of the Inenu group which is at present ruling Turkey, and the Russians have not forgiven, neither forgotten the Turkish behaviour in allowing the Gestapo agents to stage a fake bomb attack on the German Ambassador, Von Papen, and attributing to the Soviet citizens.

Reference in the Soviet statement to the changed conditions is interpreted as signifying that the Russians want a friendly regime in Ankara on the Rumanian, Bulgarian and Yugoslav models. This aim, if realised, is likely to lead to a drastic reshuffle in the Inenu regime and mean radical changes in the Turkish foreign, domestic and social politics.

It is believed that Turkey is relying on Britain for support but informed circles consider such support unlikely, since, in accordance with the Teheran and Yalta Conferences, Greece being a Mediterranean State falls within the British sphere while Turkey as a Black Sea State comes within the Soviet sphere. It is expected therefore that Turkey will have to adjust its policies to make them correspond to the new balance of power in the Eastern Europe and in the Near East.

POLAVARAM PROJECT BIGGEST ACROSS GODAVRI

TADEPALLIGUDEM, March 24: The biggest project across the Godavari is under P.W.D. investigation. It was said that the borings have to go as far deep as 20'0 feet below the river bed.

In this connection engineers and the representatives of the governments of Madras and Nizam visited Polavaram. Mr. F. L. Savage (America) inspected the site proposed for the dam at Polavaram as per the request of the Madras Government. He gave his tentative opinion, it is understood, as to the feasibility of undertaking the giant project.

It is learnt that the designing and construction of this project will involve something not attempted so far even in America and it will cost about 70 crores of rupees. It was said that the project will be a combined irrigation and Hydro-electric project capable of irrigating 2 million acres of paddy lands and producing 75,000 K. W. continuous electricity.

"Bengal Must Celebrate National Week"

CALCUTTA, March 25 (U. P. I.): An appeal to the public of Bengal to celebrate the National Week from April 6 to 13 in a befitting manner has been made by Mrs. Labanya Prabha Dutta, President of the Bengal Provincial Congress Committee.

Mrs. Dutta says that there should be public meetings and processions where there is no ban against them. In these meetings the Constructive Programme which has recently been laid down by Mahatmaji should be explained and people should be requested to take to the programme. Strict disciplines and non-violence should be maintained. Public meetings and processions should be avoided if there is any apprehension of a breach of the peace or clash with the authorities.

Collections should be made for helping the families of the political sufferers of Bengal.

Ramakrishna Mission Cyclone Relief Work In Mauritius Islands

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Any contribution in cash or kind sent to the President, Sri Ramakrishna Mission Ashram, Khar, Bombay 21, will be most thankfully acknowledged.

R. A. F. Raids Nazi Convoys Carrying Troops From Norway

LONDON, March 26 (Reuter): Moving German convoys, believed to be carrying troops and equipment from Norway, were attacked in the Skagerrak on Sunday night and early this morning by R. A. F. Halifaxes, announces the Air Ministry. The convoys were escorted by warships and night fighters.

A direct hit was scored on a passenger vessel. Smoke was seen pouring from an escort vessel after it was straddled with bombs. A Halifax attacking a destroyer scored a near miss.

GERMAN FOOD PLANS WRECKED

Nazi Radio Announces New System Of Rationing To Suit Changed Conditions

LONDON, March 26 (Reuter): The German radio announced tonight that a new rationing system was being introduced in Germany "in view of the fact that under the present supply and transport conditions it is uncertain for how long and to what extent food can be allotted to consumers."

The radio stated that under the new system the previous division of coupons for individual food products and other rationed goods will be abolished and a number of blank coupons substituted. Weekly announcements will inform consumers what food and how much of it they are to receive for these coupons.

All special rations for industrial workers are abolished. The weekly flour ration is curtailed by one quarter.

Reuter recalls that only last week an official of the German Food Ministry stated that all Germany's food plans had been wrecked. He hinted at a possible total cut in the German meat ration and appealed for discipline on the part of the public.

Smuts To Do His Utmost

JOHANNESBURG, March 26 (Reuter): General Smuts replying to a goodwill message from the new Zionist Organisation before the London and San Francisco Conferences said that he would use whatever influence he has towards a "satisfactory conclusion of the long drawn drama of the national home."

Plea For Empire Information Centre In London

LONDON, March 26 (Reuter): The establishment of an Empire Information Centre in London was advocated by Sir Harry Brittain, speaking to the publicity club of London tonight.

Although the Ministry of Information should be scrapped after the war, he thought an Empire Information Centre should continue to radiate information which has been so useful during the past few years.

Mosque May Be Built In Washington

BEIRUT, March 22 (Globe): Efforts are being made to establish a mosque in Washington, according to a cable received here from a group representing the Arab community in New York.

The message refers to optimism on the part of the Egyptian Minister regarding his ability to enlist the interest of his Government. The Iraqi and Afghanistan Ministers have also informed their governments of the project. A meeting has been held in Washington attended by these three ministers and it has been decided to call for subscriptions.

New Soviet Film In The Making

LONDON, (U. P. A.): The soviet film industry at Odessa is resuming work with equipment brought back from Rumania according to reports gfom Moscow. The famous Soviet film producer Pudovkin who directed the film "Potemkin" is now working at Odessa on a film entitled "Admiral Nakhimov" dealing with the fighting in Sebastopol during the Crimean war.

PLIGHT OF INDIAN MILK INDUSTRY

LAHORE, March 24 (A.P.I.): Mr. R. A. Pepperall, Chief Regional Milk Supply Officer with the British Ministry of Food, who is on a tour of this country at the invitation of the Government of India in an interview to Associated Press to-day suggested that legislation is inevitable for the protection of the milk industry in India.

Mr. Pepperall has visited a large number of towns and villages in India, including Sabarmati and Sevagram where he has had an exchange of views with Mahatma Gandhi on India's milk problems. He is returning to England early in April when he will submit his report to the Government of India.

Mr. Pepperall said that he is in India to see to what extent the Milk Legislation in England can be applied to this country with necessary modifications.

In India, I have found a great shortage of milk and animals in poor condition, he added. Obviously very special steps will have to be taken to avoid the present unsatisfactory position getting worse. He also suggested that some organisation specially dealing with milk and cattle problems is necessary in India.

DEBTORS' RELIEF ACT FOR THANA TALUKAS

(From Our Correspondent.)

DAHANU, March 23.

It is reliably understood that Bombay Debtors' Relief Act will be made applicable to three more Talukas in Thana District, namely, Umbergon, Mokhada and Murbad. The Act is already in operation in Dahanu and Shahapur Talukas and one Debt Adjustment Board is functioning in both these Talukas there will be now two Boards in Thana District. Umbergon and Mokhada will be linked to the Dahanu Board and Murbad linked to the Shahapur.

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Domestic Occurrence

DEATH

DIWAN SHALMI, beloved raughter of Mr. B. J. Diwan and Mrs. Sharda Diwan expired on 26-3-45 at midnight.

To-aay's Engagements

BOMBAY BRANCH ROYAL ASIATIC SOCIETY: The Annual Meeting of the Society today (Wednesday) at 6 p.m. (S.T.).

POSTAL NOTICE: Friday (30th inst.) will be a Post and Telegraph Holiday on account of "Good Friday."

SHRI RAMACHANDRA BHAJANA SAMAJ, DADAR, Panguni Uthram will be celebrated today (Wednesday) with Paanaka Poojai in the evening. Deepa-raghanai at 9.30 p.m. (S.T.)

BOMBAY TAMIL SANGHAM: 'Kambar Day': Public meeting today (Wednesday) at 8-30 p.m. at S. I. Association premises, Telang Rd. Matunga when several speakers will address on 'Kambar.'

BOMBAY CLOTH HAWKERS ASSOCIATION: A public meeting today (Wednesday) at 10 p.m. (N.S.T.) at Kaiser Baug, Dongri, Mr. Habib I. Ranimtoola will preside.

BOMBAY PROVINCIAL HINDU SABHA: A public meeting today (Wednesday) at 9-30 p.m. at Brahman Seva Mandal Compound, Bhawanishankar Road, Dadar, to register condolences at the death of Sjt. Ganesh Damodar Savarkar.

JOURNALISTS' ASSOCIATION: Mr. F. Bernard Drew, Member of the Press Club London, and formerly of the "Daily Mail", will speak on "The Working Journalist in London Today" at the Association's Club, Prospect Chambers Annexe, Hornby Road, on Thursday, 29th inst. at 6 p.m.

UNITED LODGE OF THEOSOPHISTS: Question and Answer Meeting preceded by a short talk on "The Ocean Of Theosophy" Jehangir Wadia Bldg. Flora Fountain, today (Wednesday) 6.15 p.m.

BOMBAY THEOSOPHICAL FEDERATION: Dr. Nallinathan, General Secretary and President Ceylon Lodge will lecture in English in the Besant Hall, Blavatsky Lodge, French Bridge Chowpatty, today (Wednesday) at 6-45 p.m. (S.T.) on "God, Spiritual World and Man."

VANITA VISHRAM: A meeting of the members of the Society at Vanita Vishram Hall, Sandhurst Road, today (Wednesday) at 6-30 p.m. to mourn the sad death of Shri. Nanibehen Gajjar, the Founder Trustee of Vanita Vishram.

FIRE SERVICES MEMORIAL COMMITTEE: Mr. Nagindas Master will lay the foundation stone of the memorial to be erected to the memory of the officers and men of the Fire Services who lost their lives in the Dock Explosion at Fire Brigade Headquarters today (Wednesday) at 6.40 p.m.

DASTUR BODE'S LECTURE: Today at 6-15 p.m. at Mazdaznan Temple Hall, Opp. Churchgate Station, Dastur Bode will deliver a public lecture on "Mazdayasnian Zarathushtrian Religion, and the New Age."

"RESPONSIBLE GOVT. DAY": "Responsible Government Day" will be observed by the people of States today when a public meeting will be held at 9 p.m. in the Bullion Exchange Hall, Sheikh Memon Street, Mr. Jainarain Vyas, Secretary All-India States' Peoples' Conference, Mr. Shivdayal Dave, Reception Secretary, Nagour Political Conference and others will address.

STANDING COMMITTEE OF CORPORATION:—The next weekly meeting of the Standing Committee will be held in the Corporation Hall to-day (Wednesday) at 2-30 p.m. (B.T.).

BOMBAY MUNICIPAL PEONS' UNION: At the first annual general meeting of the Bombay Municipal Peons' Union the resolutions relating to the following questions were passed unanimously:—

(1) Opening of cheap grain shops for Municipal employees. (2) Payment of conveyance allowance to peons and other allied staff attached to ward offices. (3) Payment of extra allowance to peons required to put in late attendance in offices everyday. (4) Reconsideration of the question of revision of the scale of pay of peons, havaldars, jamadars etc. (5) Increase in the rate of washing charges to peons with white uniforms and extension of the benefit to peons supplied with coloured uniforms.

The following were appointed as office-bearers of the Union for the current year:—

President: Mr. S. L. Silam, Vice-Presidents: Mr. Jamnadas Dwarkadas, and Mrs. N. R. Rane Gen. Secretary: Mr. P. K. Sawant, Secretary: Mr. V. S. Khadpe, Assit. Secretary: Mr. D. S. Kamathe, Treasurer: Mr. P. D. Surve, Asstt. Treasurer, Mr. M. T. Sawant.

COMMERCE GRADUATES' ASSOCIATION

The annual general meeting of the Commerce Graduates' Association was held on Tuesday evening at the Association's Room, Wadia Building, when Mr. Pranlal Devkaran Nanjee presided.

Reviewing the work done by the Association, Mr. Nanjee explained how India's rightful place as a self-governing unit lies in the prosperity of its trade and industry.

TO-DAY ON RADIO

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 28.
BOMBAY—1.

244 m. (1,231 kc/s)—8-0 a.m. News (H). 8-15 News (E). 8-30 V. D. Ambhalkar. 8-45 Sitar Vadan. 8-50 News (M). 9-0 News (G). 9-10 To-morrow. 9-15 Laxmibai Kelkar. 9-45 Instr. Music

12-30 p.m. Song (G). 12-45 News (M). 12-50 News (G). 12-55 News (H). 1-0 Break for Lunch. 1-30 News (E). 1-40 History in Making. 1-55 Music. 5-0 Ahmed Dilawar. 5-15 Swami Vallabhadas. 5-45 Topical Talk. 5-55 Locals. 6-0 Children's Half-Hour (M). 6-30 News (E). 6-40 News (H). 6-45 News Commentary (H). 6-50 Raag Patdeep (Dilruba). 7-0 Nae Nae Film (H). 7-15 Hiralal Nakshigara. 7-30 Marathi Programme (B. B. C.). 8-0 Gulab Bai (Bijapur). 8-15 News (M). 8-30 News (G). 8-45 Vilayat Khan (Sitar) 9-0 News (H). 9-20 News (E). 9-30 B. B. C. News. 9-45 St. Dunstan's Work for War-Blinded (E) 10-0 Vilayat Khan (Sitar). 10-10 Ahmed Dilawar. 10-20 Hiralal Nakshigara. 10-30 Laxmibai Kelkar.

OUT-GOING MAYOR'S TEA-PARTY

Nagindas Hopes Work Of Residential Buildings Will Be Expedited

The hope that the work of tenement buildings in the city would be expedited was expressed by Mr. Nagindas T. Master, the out-going Mayor of Bombay, at a tea-party, in the Corporation Hall, on Tuesday, when he met the members of the Municipal Corporation.

A number of ex-Mayors and ex-Municipal Commissioners were present on the occasion. Those present included Sir J. B. Boman Behram, Mr. Meyer Nissim, Dr. M.D.D. Gilder, Mr. M. R. Masani, Dr. Moses, Mr. B. N. Karanjia, Sir Sultan Chinoy, Mr. I. H. Taunton, now Adviser to the Governor of Bombay, Mr. P. Symington, Private Secretary to the Governor, and Sir Hugh B. Clayton.

The Mayor recalled the occasion when he took office when an unprecedented catastrophe, following explosions in city's docks, occurred. But immediately a committee was set up; funds poured in and the public responded quickly to give food and shelter to those who were suffering. The Mayor also referred to the problems which engaged the attention of the Corporation—problems connected with post-war reconstruction, the Greater Bombay Scheme, viz., comprehensive water supply scheme and the milk scheme which, he thought, was now nearer solution. He also referred to shortage of tenements in the city; they were not yet complete; they were roofless. It was believed that roofs might be provided in June. He hoped that Mr. Taunton would help expediting the work.

He further observed that he had not only to look back, but also to look about and look forward. He thanked all those connected with his office for giving him their co-operation.

Greater Bombay & Suburban Local Bodies

BOMBAY, Tuesday.

Presidents and Chairmen of Local Bodies in the Bombay Suburban District had a brief informal conference at the Local Self-Government Institute this evening to consider the steps which Local Bodies should take in view of the proposed Greater Bombay Scheme. The meeting was of the opinion that a full-fledged conference of Local Bodies should be convened at the earlier possible date to discuss the different aspects of the scheme with a view to safeguard the interests of suburban residents.

A committee was set up for purposes of collaborating with the special Committee of the Bombay Corporation in formulating views on the Greater Bombay Scheme.

Pending the announcement of the detailed scheme by Government the Local Bodies in the Suburban District are unable to have their final say. They will, however, entrust the Committee with the work of formulating its own scheme which will be beneficial to suburban areas.

The meeting this evening was attended by representatives of the following local bodies: Bandra Borough Municipality, Parle-Andheri Borough Municipality, Kurla Borough Municipality, Ghatkopar-Kirol Municipality, Juhu Municipality, Malad Notified Area Committee, Borivli Notified Area Committee, Kandivli Notified Area Committee, Versowa Beach Sanitary Committee, Sarpanch Village Panchayat of Dahisar, Manori, Malawani, Goregaon, Mulund, Chembur and Bhandup. Mr. Chunilal D. Barfiwala, President of the District Local Board, Andheri, presided.

PHILHARMONIC SOCIETY'S ELIJAH

For the first time the Bombay Choral and Philharmonic Society presented a complete Oratorio, "Elijah" at the C. J. Hall on Monday evening. It was an ambitious attempt as a complete oratorio would tend to be heavy and too lengthy for an evening concert, but the increased chorus, the soloists and the orchestra under the baton of Cecil Mendoza put up a brave and meritorious performance.

Outstanding solo-performers in the first part were Mrs. Marion Cheetham, Soprano, Miss Jer Sabavala, alto, Major Leslie Branch, baritone and Mrs. Charles Craig, tenor; the alto recitative, "Now Cherith's brook is dried up" and the soprano recitative "What have I to do with Thee, O man of God" and the baritone recitative "As God the Lord of Saboath liveth" were rendered with surpassing lyric and dramatic feeling.

The Celli accompaniment in the earlier sections of the second half was exceptionally good. Miss Dorothy Curtis, alto, was at her best in the tuneful lyric "O rest in the Lord"; the Chorus exhibited a definite improvement and maintained the tempo and spirit of "Behold, God the Lord passed by", brilliantly. Major Leslie Branch, the principal of the cast, on whom the main burden fell, once again proved the clarity of enunciation and the rich tone of his deep baritone voice. The proceeds of the concert are to go to the St. Dunstan's Fund (Indian).

3 Arts Honour Nagindas

A 3 Arts Special Function was held in honour of Mr. Nagindas Master, the Mayor of Bombay, on March 25, 1945. The subject of discourses was "As I Look Ahead". The chief speaker, Mr. S. K. Patil presented a gloomy picture of the future of the West, but in India, he said, things were definitely shaping better. He paid a warm tribute to the work done by the 3 Arts in inculcating Cultural co-operation and creating a taste for Arts. Mr. Fyzee Rahamin foresaw a spiritual uplift in the East and particularly in India. Atiya Begum maintained that desired deliverance from its complicated shackles. She foresaw Mosques, Temples, Churches, Synagogues tumbling down and forms and rituals melting away. The Mayor gave an illustration of a sinking vessel in which out of Roosevelt, Churchill, Stalin and Gandhi, one had to be saved and he chose Gandhi. A moonlight Musical Party on the Terrace of Oceania, on April 15 at 6-30 by kind courtesy of Mr. K. L. Gupta was announced.

Labour In Post-War India

Possibility Of Strikes Unless Demands Are Satisfied

Under the auspices of the Nagpada Neighbourhood House, there was a lecture on "The Labour Problem" at the Neighbour House on Monday evening when Mr. Kanji Dwarkadas presided.

In the course of his lecture, Mr. Dwarkadas said that Industrialists in this country have become nervous about the possibility of Labour Strikes in the post-war India. Criticising the Bombay Plan, he said, it was disappointing as far as the Labour problems are concerned. He hoped that the Congress Ministries which were expected to return to office will tackle the problem satisfactorily.

Mr. Dinkar Desai said that Industrial Labour though relatively smaller in population was the most important factor since they produced the largest part of India's wealth, and were likely to play a progressive role in Indian politics and social life. Unless sufficient measures were taken to satisfy the needs of Labour, big strikes are likely to break out soon after the war is over. "He feared that the Indian capitalists would make a common cause with the British Government to exploit the masses."

The basic needs of the Labour, he said, were adequate wages, less hours of work, social security, proper housing and education.

Concluding, he said the Labour movement in India has become strong and representative in spite of the fact that it is only 25 years old.

BOMBAY JOURNALISTS TO PROTEST Against Security Order On "Blitz"

Under the joint auspices of the Bombay Editors' Conference and the Journalists' Association of India, a meeting of Bombay Journalists has been convened this (Wednesday) evening at 5-30 p.m. at the office of the Journalists Association. Prospect Chambers Annexe, to consider and protest against the Bombay Government's Security Order on "Blitz." Mr. B. G. Horniman will preside and leading Bombay editors will speak at the meeting.

Parents' Day Celebrations

Presiding over the "Parents' Day" celebration of the South Indian Welfare Society's High School, at the Khalsa College Hall, Matunga, on Sunday evening, Mr. I. H. Taunton, Adviser to the Governor of Bombay, expressed pleasure at seeing a large gathering of people who were taking keen interest in the school. He wished the Society all prosperity and hoped it would be able to give greater service to the public.

The annual report of the school, which was read by Srimati V. Saraswati, the Principal, stated that the institution had sent this year the first batch of students for the Matriculation examination. She made an eloquent appeal for funds for constructing a building to accommodate more students and to avoid the present shift system.

The President of the Society, welcomed the guests. The programme included dances, kolattam, vocal music, dialogues and tableaux in which the students showed their best. The function terminated with a vote of thanks by Mr. M. A. Narayan, the Hon. Secretary.

Bombay Medical Act Amendment

An Act amending the Bombay Medical Act of 1912 has received the assent of the Governor-General and is published in the "Bombay Government Gazette" of March 26.

Section 17 of the 1912 Act lays down that the Registrar of the Bombay Medical Council shall every year cause to be printed and published a correct list of the names and qualification of all persons for the time being entered in the register. The Bombay Medical register is accordingly printed every year. Owing to the abnormal rise in the cost of printing and the shortage of paper due to war conditions, it is considered desirable that such complete list should only be printed and published during any year in which the general elections are to be held, and that in other years supplementary lists alone need be printed and published. A new section 17 to carry out this object has accordingly been inserted.

Lesser Levy For Sholapur

The quantity of grain to be delivered to the Government under the Food Grain Levy Scheme has been reduced by the Government of Bombay for the whole of Sholapur District and for the Poona District excluding Settlement Groups V, VI and VII in Junnar Taluka, IV and V in Ambegaon Peta, I, II and III in Mulshi Peta and IV and V in Khed Taluka. In these two Districts, the levy will be based on five-sixths of the food crops acreage.

GOVT. SHIFT TO POONA IN JUNE

The Government of Bombay will assemble in Poona on Monday, June 4.

PAINTINGS BY BENGAL ARTISTS

The Indian People's Theatre Association has sponsored an exhibition of paintings and drawings by the "Calcutta Group of Artists" at the Architectural Academy, Prospect Chambers Annexe (Terrace Floor), Hornby Road. The exhibition will be declared open at 6-30 p.m. to-morrow (Thursday) and will remain open from 10-30 a.m. to 8-30 p.m. daily up to 2nd April. Entrance fee As. 4. Proceeds to go to Dr. B. C. Roy's Medical Relief Committee.

BETTER POTATOES AT GOVT. GRAIN SHOPS

The Government has arranged to import good quality potatoes from Poona and Nasik Districts and these will be available from Wednesday evening at the Government Grain Shops in Bombay City and the Bombay Suburban District at annas 3 a lb. There is no need to produce ration cards to obtain these potatoes but no person will be able to purchase more than 5 lb. on any one day. Cash memos will be given against the sale of these potatoes.

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A THOUGHT FOR THE DAY

Liberty is more than a matter of political rights, indispensable as those rights are. In our own country, we have learned from bitter experience that, to be truly free, men must have, as well, economic freedom and economic stability—the assurance for all alike of an opportunity to work as free men in the company of freemen; to obtain through work the material and spiritual means of life; to advance through the exercise of ability, initiative, and enterprise; to make provision against the hazards of human existence. We know that this is true of mankind everywhere.

—CORDELL HULL.

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WELL SERVED

The Central Legislative Assembly did the right thing by the Finance Bill by throwing it out. On both constitutional and financial grounds, the Bill richly deserves this fate. It will, of course, be certified by the Viceroy; it has been rejected even in the form recommended by him. His will be the responsibility for that, but the Legislature should not be guilty of passing the Bill and by implication, approving of the policy underlying it. The political issue naturally weighed most with the Assembly in rejecting the Bill Mr. Bhulabhai Desai rightly urged that the voting should be on the immediate necessity for granting freedom to India. But the Finance Member remarked that while he was prepared to agree that self-government was better than good Government, there was a prior axiom, that Government was better than no Government. He evidently objected that if the rejection of the Bill was to be the final decision it would mean lack of supplies and consequently the absence of any Government. But though the rejection of the Bill is the final decision of the Assembly, it is open to the Government to choose between self-government and no government. The rejection of a Finance Bill is not a revolutionary procedure. It follows the principle of "grievances before supplies", well-known in British constitutional history. To some extent the Assembly has also followed the equally well-known principle, "no taxation without representation" it being understood that the executive as well as the legislature should be representative. The Finance Member's praise of his colleagues, even if deserved to any extent, is irrelevant, as they are not the representatives of the people.

The secret of the successive rejection of the Finance Bill during the last few years is obviously the united front of the Congress and the League parties. This seems to have been the bitterest pill to Government—not without cause. Several official members twitted the two parties with their inability to extend their unity beyond censuring the Government. That again is an irrelevant question here. But the fact that the two parties, which rarely unite, have made common cause to censure the Government only shows how very much the Government deserves to be censured. Moreover, Nawabzada Liaquat Alikhan Deputy Leader of the League Party, rightly observed: "We know that differences between the Congress and the League still exist but it does not mean that because of our differences we should go into different lobbies in the House even with regard to those matters which are for the benefit of the people of India as a whole". It may not be long before a united front is offered with regard to several other matters which are for the benefit of the people of India as a whole.

As we stated before, the Finance Bill deserved to be rejected on financial as well as political grounds. Its worst feature from the financial point of view is its soaring defence expenditure. This may appear small in comparison with that of many other countries like Britain or the United States. But there can be no comparison between such countries possessing huge accumulated capital and producing nigh annual income, and poor India, ever on the verge of starvation. It may be that the Finance Member has done his best to keep down the expenditure against adverse circumstances over which he has no control. But it is the Bill that is on trial and not the Finance Member. If the Defence forces were completely or substantially Indianised there would have been considerable economy and the high amounts spent on them would have remained in the country. But as things are even these advantages are not available to the country. If, again, war industries like aircraft, ship-building, etc., were started on a large scale, that would have been a redeeming feature of big war budgets. But that feature too, is absent. Finally while the Defence expenditure is colossal, it is not sufficiently explained to the Legislature nor is it in any way controlled by it. There is danger in supporting budgets which impose burdens far beyond the capacity of the people to bear and which are not sufficiently under legislative control. The Assembly has done a service to the country by rejecting the Finance Bill

Frankly Speaking

Another American Blow

It was the Japanese who gave the first reports of the American invasion of Iwojima, Admiral Nimitz confirming it only after two or three days. The official American announcement was delayed because it took the Marines some time to estaolish a firm bridgehead against fierce Jap resistance. We, therefore accept the Tokio announcement that the Americans have invaded some of the Ryukyu islands, which according to American reports are being continuously shelled and bomoed. Jap resistance may be bitter but it ought not to be so strong as it was on Iwojima. This is a greater American blow than the invasion of Iwojima. For, once the Americans are established on Okinawa, they will have ringed Japan from the East and South. They will also have completed the severance of the mainland from the Southern Empire including even Formosa, to say nothing of Indo-China and Indonesia. What is more, the sea route from Okinawa to south-eastern China will be entirely clear and open.

China's Tragedy

What danger this represents the Japanese fully realise and are trying to nullify. This explains their new offensive in the Hupeh and Honan provinces west of the Peiping-Hankow railway. They want a secure rail route all the way from Manchuria to Indo-China and Siam. They also want to neutralise the threat of a possible pincer movement from western China assisted by the American Fourteenth Air Force. They are trying to do it. No direct assistance, which may be at all decisive, can be rendered to China at this crisis by her American or British Allies. They are still too far off. But there is one way of saving the situation from the peril of a general catastrophe. It is some sort of Chungking-Communist agreement leading to immediate active collaboration in the fight against Japan. It is the only way. But unfortunately there are few if any signs of its being adopted. This is the great tragedy of China.

Lloyd George

The world being in the midst of the Second World War, it is natural that the death of Lloyd George should primarily recall to most minds his leadership of Britain in the first World War. The methods by which he reached Number 10 Downing Street, displacing his leader Asquith have provoked a great deal of bitter controversy and snarp questioning. But his worst enemies cannot deny that he proved an extremely successful war leader, the right man for that most critical and vital position that he occupied. But having won the war Lloyd George failed as a peace leader. He lost the peace. The British people did not get what they had been eloquently promised and the world got "Versailles", the parent of discontent throughout the world. One wonders if history is going to be repeated in the case of Lloyd George's successor. Mr. Winston Churchill is, if possible, a greater war leader than Lloyd George but lacks even more than the hero of 1916-18 the sympathy, foresight and imagination that are such necessary qualities for an architect of genuine peace, a peace that guarantees freedom and prosperity to all mankind and not a part thereof.

A Famous Radical

But Lloyd George has other and more substantial claims to fame and a prominent place in the history of his times. As a radical Liberal he was responsible for a good deal of social legislation which in the old days made him the hero of the common man. And it was he who made Britain's constitutional history by fighting and crushing the House of Lords once and for all. As a distinguished British publicist said in January last, Lloyd George was not the stuff of which Earls are made. It was, therefore, an irony of fate that the end of his political life should have been marked by his being sent among their lordships whose powers and position he had himself challenged effectively. But he will be remembered as a great Commoner long after the irony has been forgotten. In him Britain has lost one of her most eminent men of the present century. Perhaps we must add one word more. We have not forgotten his "steel Frame" speech as Premier. But is there any British statesman, however liberal and radical or socialistic, who does no behave imperialistically when in office and quite commonly out of office too?

POINTED PARAGRAPHS

Marriage soon cures a man of the flattery habit.

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A full moon is more attractive than a full man.

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Reading becomes a passion with some men—when they read their wife's dressmaker's bills.

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From the bachelor's viewpoint marriage is a failure because he fails to marry.

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When a man makes a blunder that he can't blame on anybody else, he doesn't like to talk about it.

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Whenever a girl giggles at every fool remark a young man makes she is willing to be more than a sister to him.

SHRI SHIVGAURI GAJJAR DEAD

Well-Known Educationist And Founder Of Vanita Vishram

Sri Shivgauri Gajjar, the Founder-Trustee of the Vanita Vishram Society, died at Surat on Monday at 10 p.m. in the Vanita Vishram premises. Sri Bajigauri Gajjar was the sister of the late Professor T. K. Gajjar and it was in 1907 that Sri Gajjar in collaboration with late Bajigauri Munshi conceived the idea of starting the Vanita Vishram Institution with the object of affording facilities to Gujarati Hindu Women and girls for boarding, lodging, studying and learning cottage industry and handcraft and thereby becoming self-supporting and securing an honoured status in the Hindu Society. Sri Gajjar gave her all to the institution, which she started and thereafter devoted her whole time and attention to the expansion of the Institution. In her most laudable project, she received encouragement from the cultured public of Gujarat and with the necessary funds forthcoming, the Vanita Vishram buildings at Surat were built in 1911.

Sri Gajjar then came to Bombay, where also she received ready response to her call and the Vanita Vishram buildings at Sandhurst Road were built in 1914, when Lord and Lady Willingdon attended the opening ceremony of the buildings.

The Vanita Vishram, which is now a registered Society, conducts a residential home or ashram for women and girls, a primary Gujarati school (Sir Mangaldas Nathoobhai Girls' School), a Training College for lady teachers and an English School affiliated to the Women's University. At Surat the Society runs a big Ashram, which provides boarding, lodging and educational facilities to about 200 girls and women. These educational institutions and ashrams are run under the care and supervision of tried and experienced teachers and honorary workers. The Vanita Vishram Society has earned a reputation as one of the best educational institutions of its type in the whole of India. The institution celebrated its Silver Jubilee in 1940 when appreciative messages were received from educationists, public men and philanthropists of various places in India. It was then noticed that the institution had gained for itself an honoured place among the national institutions of the country by its unique record of good work.

Sri Shivgauri Gajjar will ever be remembered for the great and good work that she did with whole-hearted devotion, courage and faith for the amelioration and uplift of the women of Gujarat. A meeting of the members of the Vanita Vishram Society will be held to-day at 6-30 p.m. at the Vanita Vishram premises at Sandhurst Road to mourn the loss of this great and good lady, who was the founder of the Society.

Muslim League And F. S. U.

I have been shocked to learn that the Bombay Provincial Muslim League has forbidden Muslim Leaguers from joining the Friends of the Soviet Union. It is sheer ingratitude after the F.S.U. had gone out of the scope of its activities to let Muslim Leaguers use its platform for Pakistan propaganda, it is more. It is a symptom of fascistic elements working within the League—for who else would take such an action; to stab as it were, the F.S.U. in the back? I demand that a 'people's war' be declared by all good friends of the Soviet Union against these fascistic anti-Soviet disruptionists masquerading as Muslim Leaguers.

FRIEND OF SOVIET UNION.

ASSEMBLY THROWS OUT RECOMMENDED FINANCE BILL

Britain Must Express Penitence And Let India Have Her Freedom, Says Bhulabhai

NEW DELHI, March 27. (A.P.I.)

By 57 votes to 50 the Central Assembly rejected the certified Finance Bill as presented before the House in the form recommended by the Governor-General.

Mr. A. M. Dam, Mr. N. M. Joshi, Mr. A. S. Chattopadhyaya and Bhai Parmanand remained neutral.

According to convention only one speech was made from the Opposition benches against the Finance Member's formal motion introducing the recommended Finance Bill.

Mr. Bhulabhai Desai, Leader of the Opposition, said the circumstances attending the recommendation of the bill left no alternative but to oppose it. The House had discussed the Bill for eight or nine days during which some 45 members had spoken on it, and in his view it required immense courage even in the Governor-General to ask the House to reconsider its decision. Constitutional propriety, however, required that the Bill be presented to the House again, and the mandate had been loyally received by those who stood to receive it, but the large number who did not stand clearly indicated the fate of the Bill. Not merely as a matter of bare consistency or even of self-respect, but as a matter of considered attitude towards Financial Bills of this kind, he recommended that the House reject this motion.

Express Penitence In Form Of Action

Mr. Desai added that he heard the day before yesterday the B.B.C. announcer announcing that Berlin was burning for purification. "I dare say," Mr. Desai observed, "that the wisdom underlying that announcement has dawned on the world. If Berlin is burning for purification, I am quite certain that there are many other empire-builders who also require a great deal more of purification.

If Berlin is to purify herself of her sin of attempting to take away England's freedom, England, in her turn, I dare say, will have to purify herself of many other similar sins. I have no doubt that the time has come for penitence to be expressed in the form of action."

Mr. Desai concluded: "We desire now that the affairs of this country be managed by ourself and representatives of this country."

The motion was rejected by 57 to 50.

The Assembly agreed to a number of demands for Supplementary Grants.

On a demand for Rs. 7,72,000 for the Industries and Civil Supplies Dept., Mr. Abdul Ghani (Muslim League) moved a cut motion to discuss his complaint that persons without necessary qualifications were appointed in various control organisations over the heads of qualified persons.

Mr. T. S. A. Chettiar (Congress) alleged that after the Paper Control Order came into force some 20 newspapers had been given permission to publish but Government had taken refuge under the order to refuse permission for the republication of two nationalist newspapers, the "National Herald" of Lucknow and "Forward" of Calcutta.

Mr. Badri Dutt Pande (Congress), declaring that the Newspaper Control Authorities were greater tyrants than the Home Member (Laughter), complained that he had been refused permission to republish his paper "Sakti" in Almora.

The Commerce Member, Sir Azizul Haque, denied that political considerations weighed with the Department in the granting of quotas and he referred in support of his denial to the permission granted for the publication of the "Hindustan Weekly" of Lucknow. The "Hindustan Times" evening edition in Delhi and the "Dinasari" of Madras. The Department, he pointed out, was gradually increasing the quota for newspapers already in existence and trying to help the introduction of a few more newspapers gradually.

Sardar Sant Singh (unattached) complained against the basis of allotment of paper for printing the Granth Saheb of the Sikhs and said the quota should have been fixed on the basis of 1942 and not 1943. A fresh edition of the book was printed in 1942 and therefore that year would have offered a proper basis of allotment.

Mr. Ghani withdrew his motion.

BAD FOOD AND STORAGE

On the demand for the Food Department Mr. T. S. A. Chettiar (Congress) declared that 75 to 80 per cent of the people of South India were suffering from scabies on account of bad food. Sami Venkatachalam Chetty (Congress) asserted that many lakhs of tons of foodstuffs had deteriorated on account of bad storage arrangements.

Maulvi Abdul Ghani (Muslim League) was certain that the amount of Rs. 12 lakhs demanded would be a mere waste.

Gadde Rangiah Naidu (Congress) complained that Jowar procured from the Nizam's Government was stored for a whole year without being distributed to the needy parts of the Province and he asked officials to learn methods of storage from the cultivator who had experience of it.

Prof. Ranga said that the producer was not left with sufficient food for his needs for even six months.

The Food Member explained that the demand related to the setting up of two new Directorates, namely Rationing and Storage, which were necessary to remove some of the defects pointed out by the speakers during the debate.

The demand was passed. The Assembly adjourned till tomorrow.

CLOTH ALREADY SENT TO BENGAL

But India Government Not Responsible For Defective Distribution

(Through U.P. and A.P.)

NEW DELHI, March 27

Replying to a short notice question by Mr. K. C. Neogy whether special supplies were proposed to be given as an emergent measure in view of the acute cloth shortage in Bengal, Sir Azizul Haque, Member for Civil Supplies, Government of India, stated that the Government had already arranged 3,000 bales of cloth to be despatched to Bengal and in addition the Government decided henceforth to allot at the rate of 12 yards of cloth per adult per annum to Bengal.

Replying to supplementaries by Mr. Mitra whether effective distribution measures were being taken because only recently during a Sradha ceremony of his father he could not get any cloth in the market, Sir Azizul Haque stated that he had reports of this kind, but the internal distribution was the responsibility of the Provincial Government and they had already started a drive in Calcutta.

INDIANS AND OTHERS IN R.I.N.

The War Secretary Mr. C. M. Trivedi informed Mr. T. S. A. Chettiar that all officers of the Royal Indian Air Force were Indian, but as regards the Royal Indian Navy and the Indian Army the number of non-British and non-Indian officers as on June 1, 1944, as follows: Afghan none in the R.I.N. and 19 in Indian Army, American one and 20, Argentinian nil five; Armenian nil six; Assyrian nil, one; Austrian nil, one; Czechoslovakian nil, eleven; Danish nine, seven; Dutch one, six; French one, three; Goan nil, two; Greek five, one; Iraqui three, two; Jewish nil, nine; Nepalese nil, 24; Norwegian eleven, nil; Polish nil, one; Portuguese nil, one; Russian two, nil; Siamese nil, one; Swedish two, two; Syrian nil, one; Turkish one, nil and Yugoslavian one, nil, respectively.

REQUISITIONING IN BOMBAY

Mr. Ram Chandra, Defence Secretary, informed Mr. Ananthasayanam Ayyangar that the number of residential premises requisitioned in Bombay for military purposes since the beginning of the war was 150.

The Finance Member stated in reply to Mr. A. C. Datta that the Reserve Bank of India was not authorised in normal times to finance trade and industry direct but it could make loans and advances to Scheduled Banks and Provincial Co-operative Banks in terms of Section 17 of the Act. The Reserve Bank had extended financial accommodation to a number of Scheduled and Provincial Co-operative Banks.

Civilisation Of 'Devas'

Mahatma Watches Basic Education Training At Sevagram

(From Our Correspondent)

WARDHA (By Mail).

In the dim twilight of dawn today, Gandhiji, sitting up in his simple bedspread on the open ground in front of his hut, watched with keen interest a quiet but impressive demonstration in craftwork by 67 Basic Education teachers now under training in Sevagram.

Just before day break, these teachers, including 20 women from every province in India marched in formation from their hostels, carrying their instruments with them to Gandhiji's Cottage. At the little courtyard adjacent to the cottage, they sat in rows of four, and at a word from their teacher commenced their demonstration.

They began with the takli and ended with the Dhanus takli spinning with speed and precision in various poses and methods. There were among them many with high university qualifications, and yet they were all under the spell of a new idea and a new discipline. They would go back to their provinces to work out Basic Education, education through craft work. Nothing but the dynamic idea of education through craft could have brought together such a gathering of the educated young to put their whole heart into what might appear such humble craft work.

As Gandhiji watched them with the critical pride of a father, here came a light into his face which could not be anything, but one of hope and confidence. And so when finally he spoke to them, he would give them no easy praise. In a few brief words, he emphasised the fact that there was profound significance in disciplined collective work. "From collective work there distils a great joy of realisation. In such work, there is a rhythm which is like music and the process becomes a piece of art" said he. In all the craftwork it was not enough to be mechanical, but it should sharpen the mind and enrich the personality of the worker. When they went back to the villages, they should know how to make every part of the instruments they used, with least local material. They should be experimentors continually effecting improvements and greater efficiency. Thus alone would they fire the villagers too with the spirit of true progress and enable them also to enrich their lives and minds, etc.

Modern civilisation in the West had become an 'Asura' and was wedded to speed and destruction, but ours was a civilisation of the "Devas" which appeared slow but was creative and took note of the well-being of every individual. In India, it would not do to set up mighty machines and keep 40 crores idle. The machinery we use should be for the complete well-being of every individual. Thus alone could our millions find work and enrichment of their minds. After Gandhiji's talk, the demonstrators stood up and marched back in the same disciplined manner as they came.

SULPHATE OF AMMONIA PLANTS

Govt. Of India Deny Reported Approval Of I. C. I. Proposal

NEW DELHI, March 27 (A.P.I.):—The Government of India have observed in a message dated London, March 23, a reference to the alleged "approval" of Imperial Chemical Industries' proposal for sulphate of ammonia plants at Sindhi in Bihar and elsewhere.

To effort is quite without foundation. The Government of India have officers investigating the question of suritable plant but have had as yet no recommendations from them. Far from having approved any such proposals, therefore, the Government of India have not even received them.

The Government of India have no concern with any plans which the I.C.I. or any other firm may be forming; their concern is with the interest of India.

BARODA'S NEW DEWAN

BARODA, March 27 (A.P.)

It is authoritatively learnt, that Sir B. L. Mittr, K.C.S.I., has been appointed Dewan of Baroda state from 1st April, 1945.

Mr. Bhadrashilrado Gaekwad, present acting Dewan, has been appointed Vice-President of the Executive Council.

ANKARA IS STILL SILENT!

ANKARA, March 27 (U.P.A.)—The Turkish press is still silent regarding the Russian repudiation of the Turkish-Soviet Pact and neither official nor semi-official quarters will make any comment thereon.

The press, however, is publishing dispatches from foreign countries and also radio comments.

The Turkish Ambassador to Moscow, Selim Sarper, is expected to arrive at Ankara soon.

Late Mr. Sadashivrao N. Hamand

Mr. S. N. Hamand, a weiknown building contractor, died in the Bhaikar Hospital on Monday of blood pressure after a brief illness. He was a leading member of the Raojin Vanjari Community and took much interest in the advancement of the community's affair.

He built the Law College and Seva Sadan buildings at Poona and many other palatial buildings in the city of Bombay. He was very charitable to the needy and deserving students.

His funeral was attended by a large circle of friends some of whom had come from Poona and Indore.

TETE-A-TETE

WITHOUT COMMENT—

In the ladies' gallery (of the Central Assembly) the Muslim ladies were not only displaying the Pakistan Flags, but some of them were wearing green sarees and green burquas, resemblin the colour of the Pakistan Flag

—"Dawn" report of Pakistan Day in Delhi

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Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru blames the present Hindu-Muslim differences on history as it is taught to-day. "If" he says, "you study history through the Hindi and Persian sources from the 15th to the 19th century, you will find that the present rendering of history is not only a garbled version of true facts but a complete distortion thereof"

Dr. Sapru, we have no hesitation in saying, is quite wrong. He is flatly contradicted by the greatest authorities on Indian history, viz., John Bright, Colonel Yeats-Brown and Mr. Beverley Nichols.

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Mr. Bhulabhai Desai exposed the humour of Mr. Churchill's claim that the war was a fight for the freedom of mankind and challenged Government members to say that Indians were not men.

Those Honourable Members took no notice. And, in our opinion, quite sensibly too, if Indians were part of mankind, they obviously would not be represented here and abroad by the Gentlemen who adorn the Treasury Benches.

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Replying to a question by the smart Sir Olaf Caroe, Nawabzada Liaquat Ali Khan said in the Central Assembly: "India which exists has not been represented at this (San Francisco) Conference. India that is represented is the India that is kept with the help of British bayonets".

A crushing rejoinder. But the Nawabzada had better beware. He is dangerously near the brink of "Quit India" with the "Divide and".

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Speaking in the Frontier Assembly, the Premier, Dr. Khan Sahib hoped that the officials would not commit irregularities. They won't.

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Thus ex-Premier Sardar Md. Aurangzeb Khan: "We do not claim that our Ministry was perfect in all respects. Certain mistakes were committed, but we did try to do our best".

Sardar Md. Aurangzeb Khan's substantial modesty is most becoming.

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Sind Assembly report:—

Mr. Sidhwa: "To charge Congress with having connections with the Hur movement is nothing but mischief that the Home Minister has made to suit his purpose of strengthening his Ministry".

Home Minister: "Every word of mine is correct".

What else could the poor Honourable chap say?

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PRINCE OF BERAR AT AMRAOTI

Hostel Opened.

—Headlines.

Hostility also opened, as we gather from Mr. Savarkar's statement.

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We understand that the Franco-Soviet Pact will operate immediately and automatically in the event of future aggression by Germany without waiting for the World Security Council to act.

That is, without waiting for the World Security Council to decide whether Germany did or did not commit any aggression.

BRITISH 'BLITZ' ON THE HAGUE

"Error Of Judgment" Kills 800 And Renders 20,000 Homeless

LONDON, March 26:—At least eight hundred were killed and one thousand injured in the "mistake" bombing of The Hague in occupied Holland by British planes on March 3, the United Press of America was informed to-day.

An additional twenty-thousand were rendered homeless as a result of the raid which the British Government described as a "deplorable catastrophe" in replying to the Dutch Government's request for an explanation.

"ERROR OF JUDGMENT"

The attack was aimed at nearby sites from which the Germans have launched long-range rockets toward England. Due to an "error of judgment," according to the British explanation, the bombs fell off their mark in a heavily populated civilian area with an effect described by escapees from Holland as "horrible". In light of details the raid appears comparable to the Blitz Britain suffered in 1940-41.

The official inquiry is still proceeding and disciplinary action will be taken if blame is established.

HELP COTTAGE INDUSTRY OF DYEING AND PRINTING

Council Of State Carries Hussain Imam's Resolution

NEW DELHI, March 27 (A.P.I.)—The Council of State today passed without a division Mr. Hussain Imam's resolution recommending that steps be taken to help the cottage industry of dyeing and printing (cotton cloth) and save it from unfair competition.

Mr. Hussain Imam complained that the policy of the Textile Control Board had been to help those whose shoulders were broad enough to take up additional burdens. The Government Notification of March 6, he said, had adversely affected this industry which was already starving. Under this notification neither the handloom printers could purchase any cloth from the mills nor could they sell it back to them after printing. He further complained of insufficient supply of raw material and chemicals to the industry which supported thousands of people in Ahmedabad and other places.

CONCESSIONS ABUSED

Mr. H. M. Patel, Secretary, Industries and Civil Supplies, explained what the Government had done to help printers and dyers against unfair competition. They were exempted from tax-marking and those who had stocks were not compelled to liquidate them at uneconomic prices. But these concessions were abused and the Government were compelled to withdraw them.

The concessions, Mr. Patel added, were a negative form of assistance and the Government felt it necessary to accord positive assistance in regard to chemicals and raw materials and had during the last year released 100 tons of caustic soda and quantities of other material.

Mr. Patel appealed to the mover to withdraw his resolution.

Mr. Hussain Imam declined to withdraw the resolution which was passed without a division.

The Council of State also passed the Bill further to amend the Indian Tea Control Act 1938 as passed by the Legislative Assembly.

FINANCE BILL

The recommended Finance Bill was laid before the Council of State which met this evening for a few minutes to hear the message from the Viceroy and acting Governor-General that the Bill be passed.

The House adjourned till tomorrow when it will consider the Bill.

430,000 Indian Soldiers Serving Abroad

The total number of Indian soldiers serving outside including officers is approximately 4,30,000 said the Finance Secretary Sir Cyril Jones in reply to Mr. Naravandas Girdhardas in the Council of State today. The entire expenditure on Indian soldiers employed outside India is borne by H.M.G. in accordance with the principles of the financial settlement, added Sir Cyril Jones.

Indian troops in Greece were now believed to be engaged on relief work and garrison duties, said the C.-in-C. in reply to Mr. Hussain Imam.

Sir Mahomed Usman, Leader of the House, replied in the negative to Raja Yuveraj Dutta Singh who asked whether H.H. the Aga Khan had been charged by Government with an important political mission in India.

Textile Commissioner Warns Ahmedabad Commission Agents

It has come to the notice of the Textile Commissioner that a number of commission agents in Ahmedabad who have taken delivery of goods on behalf of quota-holders outside the Bombay Surplus Area are not disposing of these goods through the Maskati Cloth Market Association to persons authorised to purchase on behalf of deficit zones. Such commission agents are hereby warned that unless they do dispose of the goods to permit-holders forthwith, the quotas to their principals may have to be cancelled.

The commission agents had already been informed of the procedure that should be adopted in the case of goods received on behalf of quota holders and they should have by this time obtained the consent of their principals to the abovementioned procedure.

BLOODIEST BATTLE OF THE WAR

U. S. Marines Secure Firm Foothold On Iwojima, Japanese Island Fortress, Despite Savage Resistance

Iwojima, the rocky island fortress described by veteran U. S. war correspondents as "the toughest beach-head of the Pacific," is securely in American hands, pointing to the very heart of the Japanese homeland.

Organized resistance on the tiny, five-mile long, parched and dusty volcanic island, one of the Volcanoes group, was declared officially ended on March 16, less than a month after the U. S. Marine of the Fourth and Fifth Divisions stormed ashore under cover of naval and aerial bombardment.

Iwo—750 miles and only three flight hours from Tokyo—is so near the capital that it is considered part of the Tokyo Prefecture. The Japanese regarded the island as "the frontline defending our mainland" and fought fiercely to defend it.

Iwo Jima was the scene of one of the hardest fought land actions of the war, and meant the bloody reduction of fortified positions in close, hand-to-hand fighting.

Inability to manoeuvre in the small area and the uphill fighting against strongly fortified Japanese positions on commanding heights made it a campaign of deadly attrition.

On the third day of the campaign, Associated Press correspondent, Morrie Landsberg described the bitter fighting as follows:

"There is no place on the five-mile-long island to which one can point and say, 'They cannot reach me here.' They can and do. Suddenly and unexpectedly enemy fire streams down in an angry spasm from the commanding Japanese positions.

JAPANESE HAD ALL THE COVER

"The Japanese have all the cover—what little this island has, plus what they have built in pillboxes, blockhouses, caves, even reinforced foxholes.

"The Marine advance has been made against unrelenting, heavy opposition by a foe fighting savagely to save this rock and sand bastion intended to guard his homeland some 700 miles away.

"Minefields and pillboxes obstruct the American drive....

"On the third day of the campaign there is no doubt that Iwo, the rock, is one of the toughest battles in the Pacific."

After softening-up by daily bombings since December 7, 1944, and a three-day bombardment by U. S. battleships, U. S. forces stormed the beaches of Iwo on February 19, supported by U. S. warships and planes.

Landing on the south-eastern shore of the island, they established a beach-head from Mount Suribachi, at the south-eastern tip of the island, to a point 4,500 yards north, and captured the first airfield on February 20.

Marines, climbing up sheer rock cliffs in the face of Japanese hand grenades from above, as well as rifle and machinegun fire, planted the American flag on the summit of mount Suribachi on the morning of February 23.

CAPTURE CENTRAL AIRFIELD

By the end of the first week, the Americans had a grip on the central airfield, while at stake was the all-important high ground immediately north of this airfield the key to the final control of Iwo.

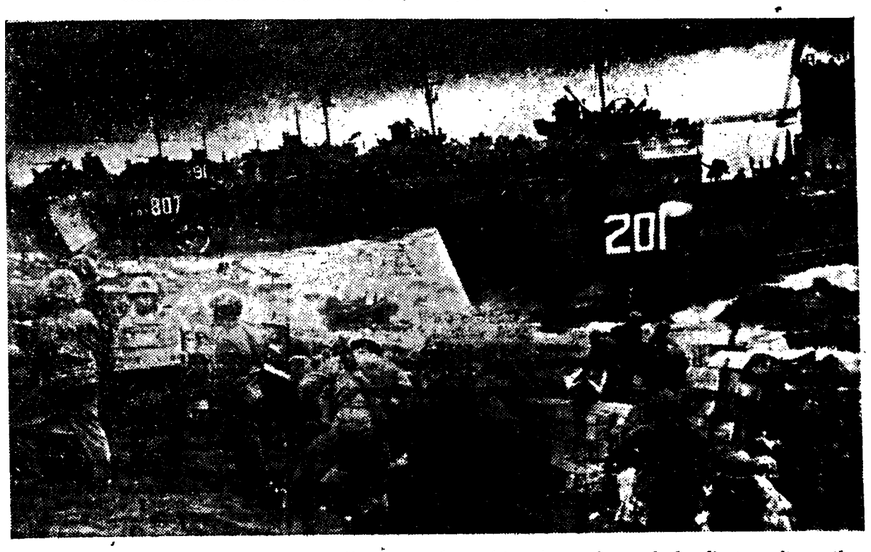
Driving uphill from their south-east beach-head, the Marines encountered considerable small-arms fire from rifle pits which ran through the entire island. These were part of the enemy's defence scheme, with pill-boxes—some with five-foot reinforced concrete walls—blockhouses, mines and gun emplacements.

The Seabees came in to rebuild the southern airfield under fire from Japanese snipers, while the main fighting was around field No. 2 about 1,000 yards north, and on February 27 Marine observation planes, the first U.S aircraft to land on Iwo, began operating on this southern airstrip.

On March 14, to the sound of rifle firing still going on in the mopping up of remaining scattered enemy resistance, the United States officially took possession of the island on the road to Tokyo, with the U. S. flag raised in colourful ceremonies atop a strongly reinforced Japanese bunker in the shadow of Mount Suribachi.

Two days later, organized resistance was officially declared ended and another link was forged in the steadily constricting ring of steel around Japan.—U.S.O.W.I.

(Left) In the face of withering fire, U. S. Marines inch up a slope on Iwo. (Right) Marines cheer as the American Flag is raised on Iwo. On March 16 organised enemy resistance was declared ended and the island was completely controlled by American forces.



Closely following initial landings, supplies were brought ashore in such landing craft as these.

"SUPERFORTS" RAID JAP AIRCRAFT PLANT

Allied Cruisers Bombard Paratas Island

GUAM, March 27. (Reuter): A very large force of Super-fortresses has attacked an aircraft plant at Omura on the west side of Kyushu (the southernmost of the Japanese main islands) and airfields and bases on the island all the way to East China Sea. It is the first Super-fortress attack from the Marianas on any Japanese island except Honshu.

It is announced that the raid was not the low-level type.

PARATAS SHELLED

NEW YORK, March 27. (Reuter): A Japanese news agency report picked up here states that three cruisers bombarded Paratas island, 260 miles south-west of Formosa yesterday morning.

BR. PACIFIC FLEET UNDER ADMIRAL KING

WASHINGTON, March 27.

(From Reuter's Special Correspondent) British naval forces in the Pacific are under the operational control of Admiral King, Commander-in-Chief of the United States fleet, Admiral King has disclosed in a lengthy report on Pacific naval operations.

Australian cruisers, destroyers and attack transports under the command of Admiral Crutchley, later Commodore Collins and now Commodore J. A. Farncomb have continued to operate as an integral part of our naval task forces as in previous years.

JAP CASUALTIES IN PHILIPPINES

MANILA, March 27. (A. P. A.):—Total Japanese casualties in the Philippines were placed officially today at 297,024 in a 'Communique' announcing heavy bombings of Cebua island and the important harbour of Legaspi last Sunday.

AMERICAN TASK FORCE ENCIRCLES OKINAWA

LONDON, March 27. (A. P. A.): A Domei dispatch broadcast said more than ten American aircraft carriers in addition to battleships, cruisers and destroyers made up the task force which "now is encircling the main island of Okinawa".

AMERICANS LAND ON CEBU

The Japanese also reported an American landing on Cebu island in the mid-Philippines which had been under heavy American air attack for days. The Tokyo broadcast said about 1,500 Americans were put ashore on Cebu.

JAP ENVOY FROM MOSCOW IN MEIKTILA AIRFIELD

LONDON, March 27. (A.P.A.): The Japanese Ambassador to Moscow has arrived in Manchuria 'en route' to Tokyo, a Japanese broadcast said last night.

He was recalled to Japan recently.

The Russo-Japanese neutrality pact automatically renews itself unless it is renounced by either party by th coming April 26.

JAPS DIG IN ON EDGE OF AIRFIELD

KANDY, March 27: To-day's SEAC 'Communique' says: Fourteenth Army Front: In the Meiktila area Japanese supported by artillery attacked and dug on the edge of an airfield

Operations to clear the Japanese are continuing.

Our patrols have been active at Letse (42 miles south-west of Pakokku) following Japanese shelling.

NORTHERN COMBAT AREA: Troops of the Chinese First Army advancing south from Lashio are within five miles of Mongyai where they are in contact with the enemy. From the road junction east of Hsipaw Chinese Fifteenth Division troops have advanced south for three miles. The British Thirty-sixth Division has made further progress towards Kyaukme without opposition.

FIFTEENTH INDIAN CORPS: There is no major change to report. —A. P.

JAP COUNTER-ATTACKS ON MEIKTILA BEATEN OFF

ADV HQ. ALFSEA, March 27 (A.P.I): 14th army troops are beating off determined counter-attacks on Meiktila, the southernmost point of the net around the Japanese in central Burma, writes Donogh MacDonagh, A. P. I. War Correspondent.

Between Meiktila and Mandalay to the north and Myingyan to the northwest, the other two points of the central Burma triangular battlefield—There are gaps in the net. Notwithstanding the Japanese attacks, the Meiktila men are still sending out successful armoured sweeps across these gaps, helping other armoured columns driving out from Mandalay and Myingyan in 14th Army's huge cleaning up operation.

Pacific Situation Not Favourable To Japs, Says "Pravda"

MOSCOW, March 25 (A. P. A.): The Communist Party newspaper "Pravda" quoted Premier Koiso's latest speech to-day to back up its own opinion that "the war situation in the Pacific has developed more unfavourably for Japan."

"The situation calls for no small amount of alarm in Japanese ruling circles," said "Pravda." "The view was expressed in the radio speech of Premier Koiso on March 21. He emphasised the serious meaning of the loss of Iwojima as 'an event bringing important changes in the progress of the war'. The Japanese placed great significance on the loss of Iwojima because the struggle for this island showed what a powerful war effort the Allies could put forth."

I.C.S. OFFICER ACQUITTED ON APPEAL

No Intention To Misappropriate Govt. Monies, Says Madras High Court Judge

MADRAS, March 27. (A. P. I.) In the Madras High Court to-day, Justices Wadsworth and Shahabuddin acquitted Mr. T. S. Swaminathan, I.C.S., former sub-Collector of Rajahmundry, who was convicted by the session judge, Rajahmundry on charges of conspiracy to commit criminal breach of trust in respect of Government monies and sentenced to one year's R. I. and to pay a fine of Rs. 1,444.

Mr. Achutramiah, Magisterial clerk of Mr. Swaminathan, the second accused in the case was also acquitted.

Their Lordships allowing the appeal held that conspiracy between the first and the second accused had not been proved in the case and that there was no intention to misappropriate Government monies on the part of the first accused. They held that Mr. Swaminathan was negligent and careless. In the result they acquitted both the accused and cancelled the bail bonds executed by the first accused. Their Lordships ordered that Mr. Achutramiah, the second accused should enter into a bond with the first assistant Registrar, High Court, to appear before the Sub-Divisional Magistrate Bharadrachalam to answer other charges of misappropriation pending against him.

The Rt. Hon. Sir Tej Bahadur Sapru with Rao Bahadur V. T. Rangaswami Aiyangar and C. R. Pattabhi Raman appeared for Mr. T. S. Swaminathan.

The Public Prosecutor with Mr. K. Subbarao, Public Prosecutor of Rajahmundry appeared for the Crown.

14,000 Cloth Bales For Scarcity Areas

(From Our Correspondent)

AHMEDABAD, March 27

From prolonged discussions with leading members of Millowners' Association and Maskati Mahajan, it appears that 14,000 bales of cloth for scarcity areas will be dispatched within five or six days. These bales are accumulated here due to wagon shortage.

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RENEWAL OF CHARCOAL AND FIREWOOD LICENCES

Dealers in charcoal and firewood of all categories in Bombay City and the Bombay Suburban District are reminded that they must apply for the renewal of their licences under the Bombay Charcoal and Firewood Trade Licensing Orders before March 31, 1945.

Applications in prescribed form should be made to the Assistant Director of Civil Supplies, (Charcoal and Firewood) Secretariat, Bombay. Copies of the form can be obtained free of charge from that office.

"GREATEST ENGLISH STATESMAN"

Lloyd George Passes Out Of British Politics For Ever

(From Our Correspondent.)

LONDON, March 27.

The man who in the words of the late Lord Birkenhead, was the "greatest English statesman that ever lived in this country", and the man who in India will always be remembered as the statesman who went back on his word immediately after the end of the last war by declaring that the Indian Civil Service was the steel frame of the Empire and must continue to function autocratically in India, is dead.

Lloyd George quietly died just as quietly he ended his political career. When Churchill invited him to join the War Cabinet he turned down the offer. None was more conscious than he that he was no longer able to hold such a responsible post. In the last few months of his parliamentary career it was obvious that his light was slowly flickering. Often he came to the Commons to participate in the debate but the moment his hand brushed his forehead you knew he was not going to speak. He had lost the power of concentration.

He remained one of Churchill's closest friends, often dining at 10, Downing Street. When Lloyd George visited the Commons Churchill would proudly escort him from the Chamber. Although profoundly disagreeing with Aneurin Bevans' criticism of Churchill. Lloyd George knew what it meant to stand alone and so was often found advising Bevan.

Musso's Health Deteriorates

CHIASSO, (Switzerland), March 26. (U. P. A.): Very reliable Italian circles here to-day declared that the new Fascist are extremely concerned over Mussolini's health which has again deteriorated badly.

Hydari For India

LONDON, March 27. (Reuter): Sir Akbar Hydari, who has completed the economic mission to England, has left by air for India. It is understood that other members of the delegation will follow in two days.

NO AUSTRALIAN TRADE MISSION YET FOR INDIA

CANBERRA (Tuesday), (Reuter): The Canberra correspondent of the "Sydney Sun" says that the Commonwealth Government will not consider the immediate dispatch of a trade delegation to India to explore the possibility of developing new markets for Australian products.

The question of a direct approach to India is likely to be deferred until the reports of the Indian delegation to Australia are submitted.

MACKENZIE KING OPTIMISTIC

OTTAWA, March 27. (Reuter):—Prime Minister Mackenzie King speaking in the House of Commons yesterday predicted early collapse of Germany.

INDIAN FOOD PRESERVERS' CONFERENCE

Indian Food Preservers' Conference will be held on the 31st March and 1st, April, 1945, at the E. E. S. Hall, between 10/30 a.m and 5/30 p.m under the presidentship of the Hon'ble Mr. Justice Meher Chand Mahajan. Admission by free tickets which was be had from Mr. N. Y. Kashalkar, Madhu Canning Co. Ltd. Dadar Main Road, Bombay (14).

Wavell's Mission To London

Will It Lead To Amendment Of Govt. Of India Act?

(From Our Correspondent.)

ALLAHABAD, March 27.

Far-reaching developments are expected in political circles here as a result of Lord Wavell's visit to London. According to one source, a new Bill may be introduced in Parliament revising the Government of India Act and passed before the Viceroy returns to India.

It is expected to be a short Bill. In what respects the present Act is to be amended it is difficult to foreshadow but the presumption is that some drastic changes may be made in composition of the Executive Council of the Viceroy not only in its strength but distribution of some portfolios (hitherto exclusive the preserve of Europeans) to Indian. A certain amount of control over Defence may also be decentralized and passed over to Indians.

WAVELL BEGINS TALKS WITH AMERY

LONDON, March 27 (Reuter)—Reuter's Political Correspondent understands that Lord Wavell, now in England for discussions with the Secretary of State, Mr. Amery, and the Cabinet on the Far East War and India's political situation, yesterday and today had private talks with Mr. Amery whom he will meet again tomorrow.

Lord Wavell, who has set up his headquarters in the India Office, is working long hours in an endeavour to crowd as much useful work as possible into his visit. So far the Viceroy has given only a limited number of interviews.

Wavell Sees 'Hamlet'

LONDON, March 27 (A.P.A.)—Lord Wavell saw John Gielgud's play "Hamlet" at the Haymarket Theatre last night.

GANDHI SEVA SENA'S RELIEF WORK

Mrs. Perin Captain, President, Gandhi Seva Sena, writes:—

Shortly after the disaster in Mandvi the Gandhi Seva Sena opened its relief centre in Samuel Street, Vadgadi. The centre functioned for over nine months distributing relief amongst 809 families and closed it recently on 10th February 1945. The Gandhi Seva Sena contributed Rs. 740 part of which was spent on the ration for 80 families and the rest on clothes and vessels.

The Jhaveri Bazaar centre through the Gandhi Seva Sena centre distributed Rs. 3,838 amongst 44 families, Rs. 550 was exclusively spent on books and fees for students; Rs. 108 on boarding for 7 families; Rs. 84 on railway fare for 5 families.

The Citizens Committee contributed Rs. 5,766, 264 families received Rs. 5,335; 18 families received Rs. 431 as railway fare. Both the centres contributed clothes and vessels very generously as well.

Thanks to Mr. C. A. Buch of the Scindia Steam Navigation Company, free passage for 35 persons bound for Kutch and Karachi was secured. The sundry expenses of the passengers amounting to Rs. 105 were met by the Gandhi Seva Sena.

Thanks to the then Municipal Commissioner, Mr. M. D. Bhat, the centre succeeded in finding accommodation for 72 families in the Worli Chawls, for 72 homeless families are still on our waiting list.

While concluding the report the Gandhi Seva Sena requests the Government and the Mayor to expedite the housing problem.

BATTLE OF AUSTRIA BEGINS

Marshal Tolbukhin's Tanks Within Striking Distance Of Border

MOSCOW, Tuesday (Reuter).—The battle of Austria is about to begin, with Marshal Tolbukhin's tanks already within striking distance of the border, and Marshal Malinovsky's Army Group levering the Germans away from the Danube bank in heavy fighting. German troops, meanwhile, are concentrating before the "Austrian wall" south-east of Vienna for a final clash.

The first slowing in the Soviet drive will probably come with the arrival of big German reinforcements which are now reported to be under way. In the meantime, however, big sectors are wide open to Soviet armour, which is driving through with orders to let the units following up concern themselves with the flanks.

German resistance so far is as its fiercest east of Gyor. The Germans there are in very vulnerable positions, and soon will have no other alternative but to fight their way back to join the Gyor garrison.

Tempo Maintained Despite Resistance

From Reuter's Special Correspondent, Moscow (Tuesday) (Reuter).—The Austrian border zone, only 27 miles ahead of leading Red Army units, was today within sound of Soviet guns as Marshal Tolbukhin's tanks raced towards Hitler's mountain "keep." Austria will soon be within sight of the guns too, judging by the swift development of the Soviet advance. Russian tanks are advancing in two waves—first slicing straight through German rearguards going all-out for road junctions and other communication centres, while the second follows up with the infantry.

A big German pocket is now forming east of Gyor with Marshal Malinovsky's troops firmly shielding the right flank of Marshal Tolbukhin's forces who are striking east of the river Raba, the last river barrier before the Austrian frontier.

The tempo of this advance is being fully maintained in spite of very fierce German resistance. Red Army engineers are now sending up bridging equipment for the swift crossing of the Raba while flying columns are driving for the eastern bank at a point which would enable the Russians to outflank Gyor.

While there is still no news of any Soviet drive on the sector immediately north of the Danube Marshal Malinovsky's steady advance through the Czechoslovak mountains is increasing the Germans' difficulties on the whole of their southern flank.

RUSSIAN ADVANCE IN SILESIA

Stalin's Order of the Day says: "Troops of the first Ukrainian command, continuing their offensive today, captured in Silesia the towns of Strehlen and Rybnik, large road junctions and powerful strong points in German defences."

Air Attack On Nazi Supply Trains

ADV. ALLIED H.Q., MEDITERRANEAN, March 27 (Reuter).—There were patrol skirmishes on the Fifth and Eighth Army fronts, states today's Allied 'communique.' Strong forces of heavy bombers attacked railway centres in Hungary, Austria and Czechoslovakia through which German supplies for the Russian front are fed.

Fighters attacked railway targets in Austria and Czechoslovakia destroying many locomotives, oil freight east Italy were attacked by light and passenger cars.

German communications in north- bombers.

Bengal Ban On Sale Of Foreign Cloth

CALCUTTA, March 27. (A. P. I.): A ban on the sale of foreign cloth except with the written permission of the Controller has been imposed to-day by the Governor who has promulgated the Bengal Foreign Cotton Cloth Control Order.

The order directs dealers in foreign cloth to submit within a week to the Controller a true declaration of all such cloth in his possession or under his control and also empowers the Provincial Government to fix the reail price of any foreign cloth in respect of which a declaration has been submitted.

The order does not apply to any foreign cloth landed at a port in India on or after October 14, 1944.

11,000 BALES OF CLOTH RECOVERED

CALCUTTA, March 27 (U.P.I.)

Fifteen more cloth shops and godowns were sealed on Monday in North Calcutta. So far over eleven thousand bales of textiles goods were found.

HARIJAN SEVAK SANGH

A festival day was arranged for Harijans and non-Harijans on behalf of the Harijan Sevak Sangh at the Gowalia Tank Maidan on Sunday where Mr. Nagindas T. Master, presided.

A variety programme for Harijans and non-Harijans was arranged where many municipal welfare centres as well as other institutions took part. There was a route march given by the students of the Fellowship School, the David Sassoon Industrial School, the Model School and other schools. This was greatly appreciated. The physical mass drill given by the David Sassoon Industrial School boys was of a very high order. An extempore 'garba' item was arranged by non-Harijan and Harijan women who had come to the Maidan. The most enjoyable items were Mr. Vinod Joshi's songs. Another extempore item was the Bhajans given by the Harijan woman.

Mr. Nagindas Master praised the work of the Sangh, and said that Harijans' lot must be improved. Abolition of untouchability for which every one should help meant a great advancement in the life of this country, he said. He further appealed to the public to help the Sangh wholeheartedly and actively.

Mrs. Lilavati Munshi, reviewing the activities of the Sangh, urged the public of Bombay to support the Harijan cause.

Khaksars Arrested In Lahore

LAHORE, March 27 (A.P.I.)—Twelve Khaksars were arrested in Lahore city on the charge of marching in military formation in contravention of the Defence of India Rules. It is stated that about forty Khaksars marched in military formation in the city last night. The police carried out a number of raids in the city during the day and arrested twelve Khaksars.

SYRIA AND LEBANON TO BE INVITED TO 'FRISCO

PARIS, March 27. (Reuter) It is understood in authoritative circle here that Syria and Lebanon are to take part in the San Francisco Conference.

INDIAN BRIGADIERS COMMAND BR. TROOPS!

Maj. Frank Owen's Story From Burma

NEW YORK, March 27. (A. P.): Major Frank Owen, former editor of the London "Evening Standard", declared: "Once the British and Americans get into China, Owen said, he thought Russia would be interested in taking a crack at the Japanese".

Major Owen said two-thirds of the troops in Burma are Indian and Gurkha and added that the Indians now have their own air force and tank and gun divisions. Indian brigadiers even command British troops, he said.

"I wouldn't be surprised to see the Japs suddenly crack and ask for peace," Owen said.

NO REGIMENTATION FOR BRITISH COMMONWEALTH

OTTAWA, March 27 (Reuter).—The Minister of Resources, Mr. Thomas A. Crerar, said in the House of Commons today "any attempt to have the British Commonwealth speak with one voice at the San Francisco Conference or at any other Conference would give rise to friction and difficulties which would break the Commonwealth to pieces."

Mr. Crerar said that he believed that the Commonwealth should continue as at present with the system of daily consultations between the Prime Ministers of Britain, Australia, South Africa, Canada and New Zealand. "They are", he said, "in daily touch with each other and this is the line along which it is wise, safe and sound development must take place.

"The moment we try to draw closer to get these different entities together we are going to have trouble."

"Chicago Tribune's" Charge Against Britain

LONDON, March 27. (U.P.I.) It is becoming clear that food will be the important weapon in the post-war political struggle in the world powers. While the growing seriousness of the world food situation cannot be denied experts believe that the crisis is partly attributable to the conflict of interests in Britain and America as both are anxious to enlarge their food reserves for political purposes. The visit of Col. Llewellin, the British Food Minister to Washington with a view to persuading the U.S.A. to increase meat shipments to Britain is seen against this background of Anglo-American tension.

Tory Election Tactics

The "Chicago Tribune" stresses the American unwillingness to increase the Lend-Lease food supplies to Britain. It points out that Britain refused to accept Canada's offer to increase food shipments because the Lend-Lease supplies are reaching Britain plentifully. It interprets this as a clear evidence that Britain is hoarding food with designs not only for winning political support for Britain in Europe but also for winning the election for the Tories.

In this connection President Roosevelt's evasive answer in his last speech to the British request for more meat shipments is generally taken to signify that he is not anxious to allow Britain to widen her influence on the Continent with Lend-Lease food.

FRANCE TO JOIN BIG FOUR

LONDON, March 27. (U.P.I.) M. Pertinax, the famous French commentator, reports from Washington in the "New York Times" the possibility that France may yet join the Big Four before the San Francisco Conference as she is assured that the Four Powers intend discussing the principles of colonial policy. M. Pertinax believes that in this matter France stands with Britain which thinks in terms of international partnership following the pattern tried in the Caribean area, while U. S. A. believes in the international trusteeship which would affect the mandated territories at first but would ultimately involve the whole question of Empires.

M. Pertinax declares: "The whole subject is loaded with explosive material."

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COTTON CLOTH TRADE LICENCES.

Dealers in Cotton Cloth of all categories in Bombay City and the Bombay Suburban District are reminded that they must apply for licenses under the Bombay Cotton Cloth Trade Regulation Order, 1945, before March 31. APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER THAT DATE WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED, and it will be illegal for a license holder to trade in cloth after 31st March, 1945, unless he applies for a new licence under the Order.

Applications in prescribed form should be made to the Provincial Textile Controller, Opposite Kalachowki Post Office, Parel Road, Bombay. Copies of the form can be obtained free of charge from his office.

Fees for the licences are to be paid only after receiving instructions in the matter from the Provincial Textile Controller.

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DR. KHAN SAHIB APPEALS TO PEOPLE FOR CO-OPERATION

PESHAWAR, March 26 (A.P.I.): The determination to raise the standard of morality and self-respect in the Frontier Province was made by Dr. Khan Sahib, Premier, speaking on a cut motion on the general administration in the Frontier Assembly today.

He hoped that the officials would not commit irregularities and in future he would be personally responsible for their actions.

League Assures Cooperation

A United Press message says:

The Leader of the Opposition, Sardar Aurangzeb Khan, speaking on the situation promised full co-operation of his party, as according to him it affected everybody, whatever his political antecedents may be.

Figures Speak of

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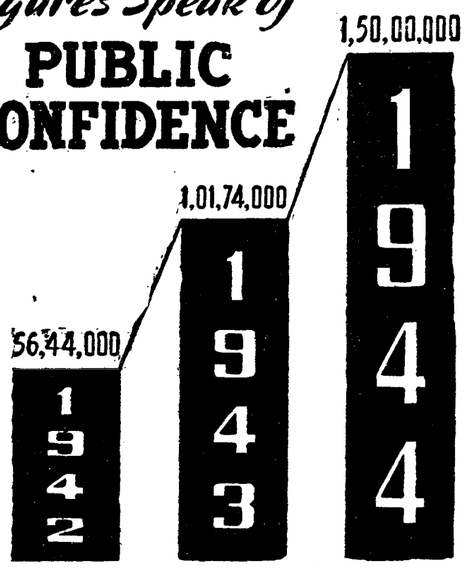

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U. S. Troops enter devastated Julich, a key road junction tow n west of Cologne.

"Supreme Architect Of Victory" Passes Away

LONDON, March 26 (Reuter). Earl Lloyd George died at 6 p.m.

A few of the thousands of letters of good wishes from all over the world were read to him, and those were read in a censored form which gave no hint that the world and his domestic circle knew that he was dying.

It is stated to be almost certain that Earl Lloyd George will be buried in North Wales.

Lloyd George will live in world history as the man who took control of Britain's destinies in 1916 and led the country to victory. "Supreme architect of victory" was the phrase applied to him by General Smuts.

Born in humble circumstances of Welsh parents in the great English city of Manchester he grew up in Wales where his school teacher father had taken up farming. Through the self-sacrifice of an uncle he was educated to a standard which enabled him to qualify as a solicitor.

In 1890, at the age of 27, he entered the House of Commons as a radical member for the Welsh seat of Carnarvonborough and continued to represent it for 54 years.

His first Cabinet post was that of President of the Board of Trade to which he was appointed in 1905, but it was as the Chancellor of the Exchequer who fought Britain's first national insurance scheme for the workers through the House of Commons that he first came into wide prominence.

Then came the war and when in 1915 the British armies' serious shortage of shells was revealed Lloyd George was called as a man of vigour and vision to establish and direct the new ministry of munitions.

Swiftly the munition position was transformed and the British armies were enabled to command vast stores of shells of all calibres.

PRIME MINISTER.

Lloyd George was now the hero of his country and his golden voiced oratory exerted a powerful influence on the people's minds at the critical period of the war. He became War Secretary in 1916, then at the age of 53 in the same year he was made Prime Minister remaining in office until the break up of the Coalition Government in 1922.

Before the Great War Lloyd George took a prominent part in the intense political controversy which preceded the passage of the Parliament Bill limiting the power of the House of Lords over measures dealing with finance. After the war, when Ireland was in a very disturbed condition, he made a settlement with the Irish leaders in a treaty by which all but six north-east counties was established as a British dominion known as the Irish Free State.

Lloyd George did not disappear entirely from the political stage when he ceased to be Prime Minister. He wrote his war memoirs and frequently intervened in the House of Commons with a vivid speech from a back bench on big political questions.

When the present war began he supported the late Prime Minister Chamberlain's decision and Mr. Churchill when he formed his Cabinet invited Lloyd George to take a post in it without departmental responsibilities.

He decided, however, not to accept. He was "the Father of the House of Commons" and as such presided over the historic meeting the members of both houses held in October 1942 to welcome General Smuts.

PASSING AWAY OF WIZARD OF WALES

Old Lloyd George is dead. Britain's winner of the first world war is no more. Britain's biggest diplomat of this century is gathered to his fathers.

His vim, valour and versatility were unique. In the heyday of his glory he was looked upon as a superman. At home and abroad he was better known as the Wizard of Wales. He won the last war but lost the Peace. His disciple Churchill is heading the same way.

Two great Indians knew the inner mind of Britain's famous Prime Minister—Vir Vithalbhai Patel and Mahatma Gandhi. Vir Vithalbhai spoke of him as Britain's Best Brain.

The Wizard had a three hours interview with Mahatma Gandhi in Bombay when he was on his way to Australia. It would be really very interesting to know from Gandhiji his impressions of the Grand Old Man of Britain. R.I.P.—Lloyd George!

EASTER FAIR

An Easter Fair sponsored by the Archdiocese of Bombay to aid their many charitable institutions, is to be held simultaneously at St. Xavier's High School, and St. Andrew's High School grounds, Bandra. The fair will open on Saturday March 31 at 5 p.m. and will continue on Easter Sunday April 1, and Monday 2, from 4 p.m. to 11-30 p.m. There will be an amusement park, stalls and entertainments, games and a fancy bazaar.

A special appeal is made to the public to support the fair and the cause for which it is being held. Money is urgently needed to help the many orphanages, foundling homes, dispensaries and schools used by the poor in Bombay and supported by the Archdiocese.

During the last year a sum of over Rs. 64,000 was disbursed in support of these charities. The need for funds has increased greatly in recent times and donations however small, in cash or kind will be greatly acknowledged. They should be sent to the Hon. Treasurer, Easter Fair, or Mr. A. J. Leask c/o Chartered Bank, Esplanade Road, or the Secretary, Easter Fair, Archbishop House, Wodehouse Road.

YEATS' REPORT TO BE SUBMITTED SHORTLY

(From Our Correspondent)

NEW DELHI, March 23

The Yeats' Committee on census is expected to submit its report to the Government of India shortly. Enquiries show that the Committee's view is that there is enough material from last census which could provide data for scientific forecast of probable growth of population in this country.

The Committee is likely to suggest the appointment of some Actuaries to undertake investigations.

RURAL WORKERS' TRAINING CAMP

Under the auspices of the Adarsh Seva Sangha, a "Rural Workers' Training Camp" is to be organised for two months from 16th of April to 15th of June, 1945, at Pohri (Gwalior) to equip workers in the theory and practice of planned economic development and village administration. Intending candidates both male and female, should possess fair knowledge of English and Hindi to follow the lectures in the two languages.

For practical training the students will be required to stay at the village centre and should come prepared to withstand the privations and hard life of the village during summer.

Training and planned methods to solve the essential needs of the villagers in food, dress, housing, health and education will be the special feature of the camp. Further particulars can be had from the Organiser, Rural Workers' Training Camp, Pohri (Gwalior State).

GANDHI LITERATURE EXHIBITION

MADRAS, March 26. (A.P.I.): The postponed exhibition of Gandhi literature which was to have been held at Kumbakonam during the Mahamakham festival will be held at the Hindi Prachar Sabha Hall, Thyagaroynagar, Madras during the National week between April 6 and 13 states a communication from the secretary of the Gandhi Mission Society.

BANGALORE, March 25 (A.P.I.): An emergent meeting of the City Municipal Council last night sanctioned Rs. 5,000 towards the relief of those rendered homeless as a result of the fire in the Bamboo Bazaar which broke out on the afternoon of the 23rd, gutting the whole street.

World War III Inevitable

Rocket Bombs Will Make It Last Few Hours

GLOUCESTER, Mass. (By Mail) U. P.A.—John Hays Hammond, Jr., the noted inventor who is engaged in secret work for the Army Air Corps, predicted that World War III is inevitable, but that it will last only for hours instead of years.

He also predicted that every European capital will be in constant danger of extermination within a few hours from highly developed rocket bombs; that such bombs will be radio-controlled and will be perfected to such a high degree of accuracy as to constitute a super artillery; and that many new automatic devices unknown in the present war will be used with devastating effect.

Hammond, perhaps the nation's No. 1 bomb control expert and holder of nearly 800 patents, was interviewed in the medieval-type castle which is his home.

"Another war is bound to come unless human nature changes—and I don't think it will," he said. "The people have little to say about whether there will be a war. It's the leaders who plunge nation into battle. If the matter were put to a popular vote, wars would occur seldom —if ever.

ANDHRA INVITES MAHATMA FOR SUMMER

BEZWADA, March 26 (A.P.I.)—Mahatma Gandhi has been invited to spend the summer at Vinayashramam on the sea coast in Guntur district, according to one of the Andhra deputationists who recently saw the Mahatma.

It is not known whether Mahatma Gandhi has accepted this invitation.

The recent visit of Mr. Kanu Gandhi to Bhimavaram has given rise to speculation in certain quarters about the possibility of Mahatma Gandhi being persuaded to spend some time at Bhimavaram. It is stated that a special attraction at Bhimavaram is nature cure clinic run by Dr. Krishna Raju where several patients sent by Mahatma Gandhi have been cured.

BARDOLI CONGRESSMAN SENTENCED

SURAT, March 26 (A.P.I.)—Mr. Makanji Patel, a prominent Congress worker of Bardoli, was sentenced by the Sessions Judge to undergo one months' rigorous imprisonment for disobedience of the District Magistrate's order to present himself before the Collector of Surat within a month of the date of the order. Mr. Patel, who was wanted by the Police since August, 1942, surrendered to the authorities in December last in observance of Gandhiji's instructions.

KHER AT WARDHA

WARDHA, March 26, (A.P.I.) Mr. B. G. Kher former Premier of Bombay, arrived here to attend the Hindustani Talimi Sangh meeting which is being held here under the presidentship of Dr. Zakir Husain.

The presentation of diplomas in connection with the work of the Gramsewak Vidyalaya will take place on March 29.

Doctor Zakir Husain will preside.

Delhi Congressmen's Appeal Dismissed

NEW DELHI, March 26.

The Sessions Judge Delhi, dismissed today an appeal filed on behalf of the eight out of the ten Congressmen who were convicted under the Defence of of India Rules for holding a meeting in contravention of the Chief Commissioner's prohibitory order by the Additional District Magistrate who sentenced them to undergo six months' rigorous imprisonment. The remaining two accused, Msis A. Dutta and her brother refused to file any appeal.

The Sessions Judge, however, reduced the sentence of the four already undergone and of the remaining four to three months' rigorous imprisonment.—United Press.

Tandon For Bombay

BOMBAY, March 26.

Babu Purushottamdas Tandon, Speaker of the United Provinces Legislative Assembly, is coming to Bombay on March 31 according to private advices received here.

Besides the general political situation in the country Babu Purushottamdas is expected to discuss with Gandhiji various problems in the United Provinces as well as the Sind Government's ban on the "Satyarth Prakash."—United Press.

ERNAKULAM March 24 (A. P. I.): The Cochin Government have removed the ban on holding public meetings in the State except in the port areas like Ernakulam, Mattancherry and Cochin. The ban on processions is, however, not removed."

Triumph Of Integrity

"We've Wiped Goebbels Off The Air", Says BBC Chief

"The BBC has wiped Goebbels off the ether. Even more important, truth has wiped falsehood off the ether", declared Mr. W. J. Haley, Director-General of the BBC, addressing the Cardiff Business Club.

The triumph of the BBC in this war, he said, was one of the greatest and most heartening triumphs that integrity had ever had in the sphere of the spoken word. Against lies, clever and fantastic, and even damnable, the BBC had opposed the hard, unyielding, often unexciting adamant of the simple truth; and the truth had prevailed.

The price paid was loss of wavelengths to home listeners but Mr. Haley hopefully anticipated an early release of some of them.

"It is an astonishing thing", he said, "that this small kingdom, with its limited resources, has developed the most powerful, most far-flung, most effective system of broadcasting the world has ever seen. A leading American newspaper man who recently made a world tour of over 60,000 miles, from the villages of Tibet to liberated countries of Europe and from Cairo to Australia, went home to New York and told his people that the one abiding impression he brought back with him was the ubiquity of the BBC. To-day we are broadcasting some 132 hours in every 24 in some 49 languages; and we are not only broadcasting—we are being listened to."

PRO-FFANCO GENERALS OF MOROCCO, CATALONIA SUPERCEDED

LONDON, March 25. (Globe): Both the captains-general of Catalonia and Morocco, who have been strong supporters of Franco, have been superceded by generals of less pronounced political views.

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DROP IN TATA STEEL SHARES

Bullion And Cotton Quiet

City Markets Under Excellent War News Influence

BOMBAY, March 27.

The Share Bazar was weak to-day on increased selling pressure. There was absence of any important support and Tata Seel Shares suffered further drop and reached new low levels. The selling was mainly influenced by encouraging war news with possibility of an early peace. As a result of day's working Tata Steel Dfds. declined Rs. 45/-, Ordinary Rs. 5/-, Bombay Dyeings Rs. 12/-, Kohinoors Rs. 2/-, Simplex Rs. 5/-, Burma Rs. 9/-, Associated Cement Rs. 2/-. Indore Mill was an exception which gained Rs. 13/-, otherwise the decline was general and well spread, disclosing less inclination to buy.

Other city markets were under the influence of excellent war news. There was moderate selling in Bullion and Cotton markets but a steady tone prevailed at the decline It appears that there is more desire to follow day to day developments in the war situation.

SHARE BAZAR

Excellent war news coupled with weakness in the Bullion Market were mostly responsible for the opening drop in share values to-day on the Bombay Stock Exchange. Professional operators are out of the market and disappointing dividends are discouraging fresh support. Thus in the absence of any important buying the market is sagging to lower levels. Outside participation is very little and with routine trading of a mixed nature, price changes remain narrow. Tata Steel Dfds. opened to-day at Rs. 2052 and steadied at Rs. 2055. Ordinary Shares opened at Rs. 380 and improved to Rs. 382. Bombay Dyeing Shares opened at Rs. 1830 and recovered to Rs. 1837. Kohinoor Mill Shares opened at Rs. 606 and rallied to Rs. 610.

Later on there was renewed selling in Tata Steel Shares and Dfds. declined to Rs. 2027 and rallied to Rs. 2035. Cotton Mill Shares were also quiet in sympathy with weakness in Steel Shares but there was less selling presssure. Bombay Dyeings were quoted at Rs. 1832 and Kohinoors were steady at Rs. 610.

Record Of Actual Transactions In Shares

BOMBAY, March 27.

MILLS
Apollo 3/15 3/15/3 3/14/6
Bharat 59/4 59/8
Bharucha 8/8
B. Dyeing 1825 35 32/8 36/4 32/8 38/12 23/12 32/8 27/8 30
Central India (Ord) 376 79 78/8 79/8 78 79/8. 79
Century 920 25
Bradbury Pref 530
Colaba 214 12/8 13
Edward 680 62/8
Elphinstone (Ord) 83 84 83
Elphinstone (Pref) 123/12
Finlay 304 3 4 2 3 2/8
Gokak 298 300 297 98/8
India United Defd 2/14 2/15 2/14/6 2/15 2/14/9
India United Ordy 14/2 14 14/1 14/0/6
Indore 702/8 1/4 3/12 1/4 2/8 1/4 3/12
Khatau 325
Kohinoor 605 10 9 11 8 9
Meyer 206/4 5 7/8 6/4 6/14
Minerwa 257/8
Model 250 48/12
Morarjee 740 25 26/4 15 20
New Great 370 69 70/8 68 70 69/8
Phoenix 593/12
Sassoon Silk 78/8 79
Sassoon Cotton 21/12
Simplex 259/8 59 60/8 56 58 56/8
Swadeshi 544 47 46 47 45 46 45 46
Swan 328 29 28/8 29 28
Tata Mills 57 57/8 57
Vishnu Cotton 4/46/4
BANKS:
Baroda 138/12 38/4 38/8
Central 81 81/4 80/12 81
Imperial (Old) 1990
Imperial (New) 493/12
India 189/12 90
Reserve 135 35/4
International 55 54
National Savings (P.P.) 27/8 27
United Commercial 70
Dena Bank 70
ELECTRIC
Ahmedabad 232/8 31/14
Amalgamated (Ord) 18/4
Andhra Valley 1790 87/8
Tram (Ord) 147 46/8 47/4 47
Tram (Pref) 66/8 66
Surat 227/8
Karachi 227/8
Tata Hydro (Ord) 205/6
Tata Power (Ord) 1885 82/8 80
INSURANCE
Empire 1275
Jupiter 33
New India 80/4 80/8 80
Universal 20/8
Bombay Steam 545 47/8
Scindia 33/12 33/10 33/11 33/7
Tata Steel Defd 2052/8 47/8 56/4 48/12 58/12 25 36/4 30 32/8 31/4
Tata Steel Ord 380 79 82 81 82/8 77 79/8 79
Tata Steel 2nd Pref 160/4 60/8 60 60/8 60/4
MISCELLANEOUS
Alcock 417/8
A. Cement 230 28/4 30 28/4 29 28 28/8
Belapur 218 17
Burmah (Old) 521/4 22/8 15
Burmah (New) 195/4 95
B. B. Petrol 5/2/3 5/1 5/1/3
Indian Bleaching 173 74
I. I. Trust 122
Port Canning 105/4 4/8
P. Construction (Ord) 208
P. Construction 2nd (Pref) 136/4
Shivrajpur 53
Tata Chemical 20/4
Tata Oil 66/12
Walchandnagar (Ord) 540
Indian Mfg 3850 55

GOLD & SILVER

The Reserve Bank of India sold to-day 300 bars Silver at Rs. 128 and 31,000 tolas Gold at Rs. 71/5. In view of approaching. Easter Holidays, the Bank will sell 600 bars Silver and 35,000 tolas Gold to-morrow.

The local market was somewhat quiet to-day under the influence of excellent war news but the drop in quotations induced better support and the market was steady. The weekly Gold settlement was completed yesterday and professional Bulls are allowing the market to drift with a view to squeeze again. Transfers of Silver were being done.

Forward Gold opened to-day at Rs. 71/2 and declined to Rs. 70/8 under general selling and recovered to Rs. 70/12 on short covering. Ready Gold was quoted at Rs. 71/8. Trading in forward Silver commenced at Rs. 128/4 and under heavy selling the market declined to Rs. 127/2 and later steadied at Rs. 127/6. Next settlement was quoted at Rs. 126/12 and ready Silver was placed at Rs. 127/12. Sovereigns were quoted at Rs. 49/4.

The market was quietly steady with a moderate business. Gold met better support. Closing quotations were as under:—

Ready Gold	71	14	0
Gold Settlement	71	6	0
Ready Silver	127	10	0
Silver Settlement	127	0	0

BOMBAY COTTON

The local cotton market opened to-day at Rs. 448/8 for May delivery and improved to Rs. 449 under scattered buying. At this level there was renewed selling from professional quarters and the market declined to Rs. 445/8 and steadied at Rs. 446/4. The market is preparing for a fresh move and while there appears to be some professional selling but fundamental factors do not favour any important drop in quotations and we belive that present prices ever if they decline in the near future, are not far from bottom. If cotton prices are to maintain their relation with the prospective supply and demand the statistical outlook favours higher prices and we prefer to have constructive interest with patience

Yesterday 127 lots of March tenders were surveyed and 35 were rejected. Out of 112 appeals 35 lots were rejected and in supper appeals 78 were declared pass and 33 were rejected. To-day there was moderate demand in the ready cotton and sales amounted to about 4,000 Bales: Under moderate selling May declined to Rs. 445 and steadied at Rs. 446/8. The market finally closed at 6 p.m. as under:—

I.C.C. May	445	12	0
I.C.C. July	460	12	0
I.C.C. Sept.	469	4	0

Cotton Parity

Indian Cotton May Contract is 473 cent points below New York May.

High & Low Cotton Prices

	Hi.	Lo.	Closing at 6 p.m.
I.C.C. May	453-3/4	447-1/4	448
I.C.C. July	467-1/4	463	463-3/4
I.C.C. Sept.	474-1/2	471	472
Karachi 4F May	46/12/6	46/5/3	46/5/9

BOMBAY PRODUCE

BOMBAY, March 27.

The market was quiet with a restricted turnover. Groundnuts Madras Rs. 14 quality Rs. 14/4. Goa delivery Rs. 14/10 and Goa delivery Nizam quality Rs 13/10. Castorseeds Bombay ready and railway Receipt Rs. 15/4 and Goa delivery Rs. 15/6. Linseed C. P. and U. P. Rs. 15/9. G. I. P. Rs. 15/8 and Nizam State Rs. 15/7. Satna small Linseed was quoted at Rs. 15/3.

Produce Receipts

Cotton Bales	11,752
Linseed Cwts	5,663
Groundnuts Cwts	11,594
Castorseeds Cwts	2,584
Cottonseeds Cwts	2,129

Bombay Metals

Brass ready	154	0	0
Brass Chaitra	134	0	0
Copper ready	142	0	0
Copper Chaitra	142	0	0

London Stock Exchange

LONDON, March 26.

	£ -
Rupee Paper 3-1/2 p c	72-5/8
Consols 2-1/2 p c	33
Conversion Loan 3-1/2 p c 1961	105-13/16
War Loan 3-1/2 p c	105-3/16
Funding Loan 4 p c 1960/90	114 ex div.
Victory Bonds 4 p c	113-7/8
Chartered Bank of I A & China	11-1/8
Hongkong & Shanghai Bank (London Reg.)	87-1/2
National Bank of India	41-3/4

APPROACHING COLLAPSE OF GERMANY

Failure Of More Selling On N. Y. Cotton Exchange

NEW YORK, March 26.

The market continued under the domination of excellent war news and the approaching collapse of Germany, together with uncertainties of the pending farm legislation and recent anti-inflation utterances, but prices subsequently steadied on trade buying and price-fixing. Latterly prices ruled steady on local covering attributable to failure of the exceptionally favourable war news to bring out more selling. The market closed steady. July delivery opened at 21.70 and declined to 21.65 which was the lowest level reached during the first hour. Therefore there was increased buying and July advanced 7 points at 21.72 which was the highest level reached at noon. The market was steady in the afternoon and closed at a rise of 4 points to a decline of 4 points. Spot cotton price was reduced 4 points at 22.35 c. per lb.

NEW YORK COTTON.
New York, March 26.

May	22.01—01
July	21.69—04
October	21.11+01
December	21.02+03
January	20.96+03
March	20.91+04
July highest (12-11 p.m.)	21.72—01
July lowest (10-22 a.m.)	21.65+08
Middling Spot	22.35—04

NEW ORLEANS COTTON.

May	21.98—02
July	21.67—03
Middling Spot	21.50—05

NEW YORK COTTON, NOON CALL.

May	22.01
July	21.67

Drop In Wall Street

NEW YORK, March 26, (U.P.A.) Prices broke by one to more than three points in heavy trading volume on the New York Stock Exchange today.

The decline was due to favourable war news.

Railroad and steel issues were the hardest hit and selling spread to all sections.

Worth Street Dull

NEW YORK, March 26, (U. P. A.): Prices fluctuated in a narrow range with traders awaiting war developments on the New York Cotton Exchange to-day.

On Worth Street trading in the cotton goods trade was very dull with traders similarly awaiting war news and clarification of Government regulations.

U. S. Steel	60-5/8—1-1/8
General Motors	62-3/4—1-1/8
Anaconda Copper	30-1/4—7/8

Sales Of Treasury Bills

Tenders for Rs. Four Crores of three months' Government of India Treasury Bills were opened on Tuesday the 27th March. Total amount offered was Rs. 12,83,00,000—(Rupees twelve crores eighty-three lakhs only). Tenders at Rs. 99-15-0 were accepted in full and those at Rs. 99-14-9 allotted approximately 98 per cent. Lower tenders were rejected. Total amount accepted was Rs. Four Crores. the average rate of accepted tenders being Re. 0-5-0 per cent per annum.

Tenders for Rs. Four Crores of three months' Government of India Treasury Bills will be received on Tuesday, the 3rd April, in Bombay upto 11 a.m. (Standard Time) and upto the close of business on Monday the 2nd April at other cenires. Successful tenderers should make payment on Friday the 6th April. Other conditions are as usual.

During the week ended 23rd March, Government of India Treasury Bills for Rs. 3,72,25,000—(Rupees three crores seventy-two lakhs twenty-five thousand only) were sold in favour of the Issue Department of the Reserve Bank of India.

Calicut Quotations

CALICUT, March 27.

Cocoanuts Raw 80, Dry 78, Cocoanut Oil 340, Copra Office 197/8, Dilpasand 210, Madrasnottam 220, Goodgoods 222, Pepper Wynaad 370 Country 360, Dry Ginger Chernad 230, Ernad 220, Coffee Robusta 83.

Chicago Grains

CHICAGO, March 26, (U. P. A.): Grain markets were active with traders nervous on the Chicago Commodity Exchange to-day.

Prices dropped with the belief that the collapse of Germany must be imminent.

CALCUTTA HESSIAN FIRM.

CALCUTTA, March 26.

Hessian ruled firm with all prices at maximum rates for delivery up to December. Heavy goods steady. B. Twills have been done at Rs. 66.

MONEY MARKET

BOMBAY, March 27.

LONDON: Banks buying 90 days/st. 1/6 7/32 1 and 2 months, 1/6 1/4 3 to 6 months.

B. C. Rates: T T 1/5 15/16 D D 1/5 15/16.

Banks selling T T 1/5 31/32 D D 1/5 31/32.

Banks buying T T 1/6 1/32 D D 1/6 3/32.

LDN/NEW YORK:
Banks selling T T Rs. 332 3/4 D D Rs 332 3/4.
Banks buying T T Rs. 329 1/2 D D Rs. 327 1/2.

LDN/MONTREAL:
Banks selling T T Rs. 302 1/2 D D Rs. 302 1/2
Banks buying T T Rs. 297 3/4 D D Rs. 295 3/4

Tone of Sterling Exchange:—Very quiet.

Reserve Bank Rate 3 pc. Bank of England Rate 2 pc.

Money:—Call, one and two months 1/4 pc, 3 to 5 months 1/2 pc, 6 to 11 months 3/4 pc, 12 months 1 1/4 pc.

Tone:—Easy.

THE SPORTSMAN'S SPORTSFOLIO

By J. C. Maitra

For the last two years and more, lawn tennis was in a state of suspended animation in this city. This was mainly due to the absence of tennis balls from the market. Unfortunately they are not manufactured in this country. So we have to depend entirely on the foreign import. Even then they were not procurable, although some provinces got them regularly, but I don't know how. However, Bombay has received some supplies now—to the relief and satisfaction of many supporters of the game in this city. It is true the quality is not half as good as of the prewar days. Nor is the supply adequate. But this cannot be helped. Let us hope things will improve in the near future.

INTER-CLUB TOURNEY

The Bombay Gymkhana could not see their way to revive the Western India Championships this year as they were expected to do some time ago. Instead they held the Inter-Club Tournament for the Tata Shield. Anyway they were able to revive the competitive spirit in the tennis of this city which was at its lowest ebb owing to the absence of any tournament. As a compliment to their efforts, the Gymkhana might have won the Shield too. But an unfortunate stroke of bad luck—or was it slackness on the part of F. Bekkevold and R. F. Stroud, their pair?—deprived them of the coveted prize.

BOMBAY GYMKHANA UNLUCKY

N. D. Sirur and M. R. Row of the Cricket Club of India were mainly responsible for Bombay Gymkhana's elimination. After going down to their junior combinations, though after a bitter struggle, and after losing the first set cheaply to Bekkevold and Stroud, the Indian pair made a bold bid for supremacy in the second. They did not succeed in winning the set, but they deprived the Gymkhana of a most valuable game and set and the tie. Time permitting, Bekkevold and partner would have most probably pulled the deciding game out of the fire and taken the Gymkhana into the final round. That was not to be.

In this connection I should mention the very valuable services rendered by that veteran Indian Davis Cup player, Krishna Prasada, our sporting Postmaster-General, who helped I. N. Laljee to win two of the three matches they played. Although far from his best Prasada appears to retain a good deal of his old fire and skill still.

WILLINGDONIAN'S SUCCESS

The trophy however went to the Willingdon Sports Club. The winners had two strong pairs in M. D. Petit and D. G. Dessi, and J. M. Kantawalla and Chandmal who won all their engagements. Neither the Bandra Gymkhana nor the St. Xavier's College who opposed them could wrest a set from them—no, the College did claim, one set in five matches! In the final tie against the C.C.I. the abovementioned pairs had their own way too. But the latter had the satisfaction of winning two of the matches against the Willingdon's third pair, C. M. Khatau and B. C. V. Mehta. Needless to mention, the Willingdonians thoroughly deserved their success. In all eight clubs and Gymkhanas participated in the tournament. Conspicuous absentees among them were the P. J. Hindu Gymkhana. Military occupation of their Gymkhana seems to have crippled their tennis department altogether or it may be indoor games like bridge find greater favour with their members nowadays!

ANOTHER TOURNAMENT AT C. C. I.

It is gratifying to learn that the C.C.I. are going to stage an Open Tennis Tournament, with all the five events on the card from Saturday next. Efforts are being made to induce reputed players like Ghaus Mahomed, Sumant Misra, M. V. Bobjee, Prem Pandhi and A. E. Owen to make the journey to Bombay to participate in this competition. There is no doubt that all those who took part in the Tata Shield recently would join the lists. It is hoped that some of the leading lady players in the country would also enter to make the event a thorough success.

AHMEDABAD SHARE MARKET

AHMEDABAD, March 27.

Calico encountered further bull liquidation with lower Bombay advices affecting shares unfavourably.

Calico 1455. Ambika 495; Ashok 590; Old Commercial 510; Jagdish 203/12; Jagdish Commission 48; Jupiter 375; New National 437/8; Mahalaxmi 1600; Marsdon 192; Monogram 164; Vikram 398/12; Sayaji 347/8. Rohit 397/8; Harrivilabh Mulchand 1790.

From tomorrow Calico's rate will be ex-dividend Rs. 15 and ex right Rs. 53.

LONDON, March 25.—If his visit to the Rhine front ends in time, Mr. Churchill is expected to make an eye-witness report on the week-end operations in the House of Commons before the adjournment for the Easter recess on Thursday, says Globe's diplomatic correspondent.

Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan

INDIAN CULTURE ESSAY COMPETITIONS

The Bhavan invites original essays on any aspect of Bharatiya Samskriti (Indian Culture) written in Sanskrit, Hindi or English for the annual Essay Competition which have been started in 1942. This year six gold medals (each of the value of Rs. 150) and six silver medals (each of the value of Rs. 25) are to be awarded. One gold medal and one silver medal will be awarded to the best and second best essays respectively received under each of the groups.

For details write to the Hon. Registrar, Bharatiya Vidya Bhavan 33-35, Harvey Road, Bombay 7.

LONDON, March 25. (Globe): If Field Marshal Montgomery's forces penetrate another ten or 15 miles eastward in their drive beyond the Rhine they will more or less have the Ruhr district "in the bag".

This, says military expert Paul Renker, writing in the "Sunday Despatch", after the loss of the Silesian coal and industrial districts, would be fatal for the Germans.

MAKE PEOPLE MORE KHADI-MINDED

A. I. S. A. Secretary's Plea For Self-Sufficiency In Cloth

SEWAGRAM, March 26 (A.P.I.): Mr. Srikrishna Jaju, Secretary of the All-India Spinners' Association presiding over a meeting of the trustees and workers of the Charkha Sangha yesterday expressed a desire that before the next birthday of Mahatma Gandhi, it would be possible to raise the yarn quota for Khadi purchase from half an anna to two and a half annas worth of khadi yarn for every rupee worth of cloth.

Mr. Jaju also urged further increase in sales of Khadi in order to make people more Khadi-minded and to achieve self-sufficiency in the matter of cloth in the country.

The meeting had a general discussion regarding khadi work in villages.

Dr. Zakir Hussain will preside over the Hindustani Talimi Sangh meeting here tomorrow. Mr. B. G. Kher, former Premier Bombay, is expected to attend the meeting.

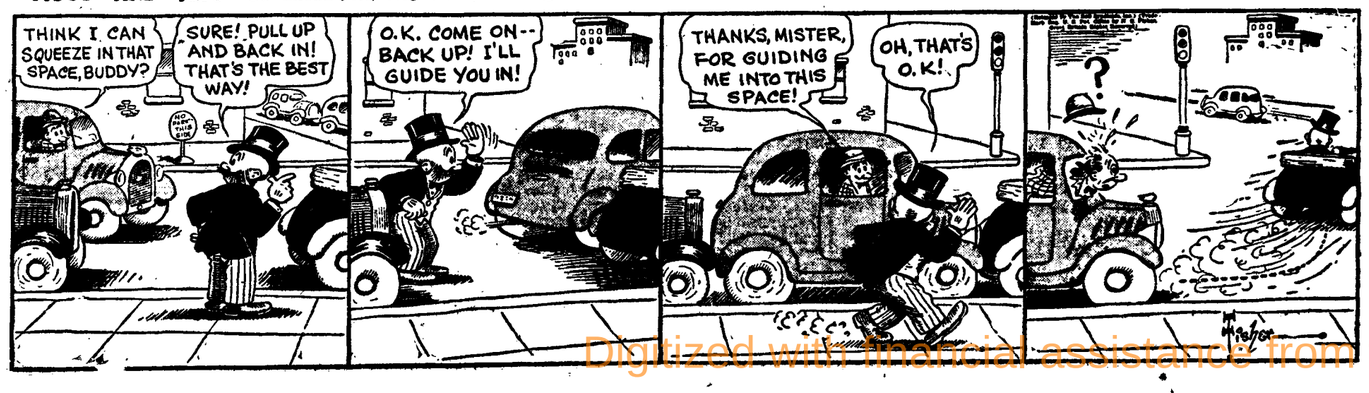
As the bulk of our manufacture now goes to the Fighting Forces we regret that many of our customers must go without their favourite biscuits but unlimited supplies will come again when the war is won.
HIS NEEDS COME FIRST
BRITANNIA BISCUITS
BRITANNIA BISCUIT CO. LTD. CALCUTTA, DELHI, BOMBAY

No 2 COURT OF INQUIRY
EXTRACTS FROM AN ARMY OFFICER'S DIARY
Friday - January 19th.
"Had an interesting job to-day. Was made President of a Court of Inquiry which met to investigate the cause of a minor motor accident that happened in the lines. Am enjoying things here. My captaincy came through yesterday I have been made 2nd. in Command of another Company. I am sorry to leave 'B' coy. but my new men are excellent."

To serve with the Indian Army is a magnificent experience - but to serve as a commissioned officer is an honour indeed. It is a memory that you will cherish all your life, a turning point too in that it provides you with qualifications which will make you valuable in any walk of life.
TWO POINTS
● Many civil Government appointments are now being left vacant. These will be available, after the war, for men from the services.
● Candidates who are now at universities are entitled to valuable post-war educational concessions whereby they may continue their studies after the war. Actual details may be obtained from particular universities.
HOW TO APPLY
Get the Application Form (I.A.F.Z/2290) from the local District Magistrate, Commissioner of Police, Recruiting Office, Secretary of the Provincial Selection Board or from the nearest military headquarters. This form should be filled in and forwarded to the Secretary of the nearest Provincial Selection Board.

MUTT AND JEFF—Go ahead Jeff, step on it, nothing in front anyway

By BUD FISHER


THINK I CAN SQUEEZE IN THAT SPACE, BUDDY?
SURE! PULL UP AND BACK IN! THAT'S THE BEST WAY!
O.K. COME ON-- BACK UP! I'LL GUIDE YOU IN!
THANKS, MISTER, FOR GUIDING ME INTO THIS SPACE!
OH, THAT'S O.K!
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2 ANNAS Per WORD

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To be paid in advance.

LOST & FOUND

Registry Call—Porebunder No. 946 of 1941-42—Dhow Ganja Saifi One leather bound roll of papers, containing the above. Registry Call and Clearance Certificate was lost by the Tindal on Saturday the 24th March 1945 at 9 a. m. while boarding the tram at Carnac Bunder and proceeding to Ballard Pier. Anybody who has found it will be rewarded for delivering it to: Messrs. S. D. Shethia & Co., Agents to Bengal Government, Podar Chambers, Parsi Bazar Street, Fort, Bombay. (7679)

MATRIMONIAL

Wanted—A suitable match either in Imperial Service or of a similar status for a very pretty, educated and highly accomplished girl of 20 years coming of a very rich, advanced and highly connected khatri family. Correspond Box No. 7687, "Bombay Chronicle."

SITUATIONS VACANT

Wanted Cashier atleast Matriculate with previous experience in any banking concern who can place deposit Rs. 1,000. Salary Rs. 75. Apply stating age, experience and qualifications to Box No. 7681, "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted Midwife for a dispensary at Thakordwar. Apply Box No. 7685, "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted immediately a Veterinary Surgeon with M.R.C.V.S. qualifications for a Stud. Apply with testimonials and account of previous experiences if any stating age, caste and Minimum salary expected to Box No. 2641 "Bombay Chronicle".

Wanted Allround Electrician expert in motor rewinding and electrical installations. Apply Box No. 7698, "Bombay Chronicle."

Wanted House Physicians, House Surgeons for Bhatia General Hospital, Tardeo, Bombay. Apply Manager between 9 and 12 noon. 7644

Applications are invited from experienced persons of either sex for the posts of Despatch, and Accounts Clerks and Stenographers, stating detailed particulars and minimum salary required. Apply Box No. 7675, "Bombay Chronicle."

Smart, livewire Lady Canvassors for selling Newest Novelty. Apply immediately, Post Box 2267, Bombay. 7700

Wanted an Import & Export trade expert including piece goods import experience for an upcountry firm. Apply with past experience details. Box No. 7621, "Bombay Chronicle".

Wanted an experienced Weaving Master to undertake erection and working of looms for manufacture of cloth in the Mills. The required yarn is produced in our Spinning Section. Pay according to qualifications. Apply to the Manager, The Prem Spinning & Weaving Mills Co., Ltd., Ujhani, (Budaun), U.P. 2637

Wanted immediately qualified and experienced Accounts Clerks. See personally on 28-3-45 between 3 and 5 p.m. to the Manager, Indian Hume Pipe Co., Ltd., Construction House, Wittet Road, Ballard Estate. 2634

Wanted a lady Housekeeper & Linenkeeper for the Umaid Hospital. Pay Rs. 70/- plus Local Allowance Rs. 30/- plus dearness allowance Rs. 11/- in grade Rs. 70-5-120. Free single quarters fitted with electric lights. Duties—care of hospital Linen and supervision of Nurses hostel cleanliness etc. Apply to the Superintendent, Umaid Hospital, Jodhpur with copies of testimonials (not returnable.) 2640

Wanted an experienced Proof Reader on Salary of Rs. 65 plus dearness allowance of Rs. 16 and a Copy-holder on Salary of Rs. 50 plus dearness allowance of Rs. 12-8as. Minimum qualification matriculation. Apply with certificate to the Manager "Bombay Chronicle" Fort, Bombay.

TO BE LET

Modern comfortable residential quarters at Uran in Hindu locality, airy, open all sides to let for Hindus only. Regular Boat and Launch service from and to Bombay. Apply A. H. Tungekar, 165-67, Nagdevi St., Bombay. (7686)

MEDICAL ADLETS

Matriculates whether you pass or fail. First build your body beautiful, shape your muscles well, diseases cured by exercise. Please write for postal advice or see in person to Prof. V. R. Talwalker between 6-30 to 8-30 a. m. at New Physical-Culture Home, A.E.S. Bldg., near Two Temples, Girgaum, Bombay 4. (7682)

Piles, Rapid and prolonged relief can be obtained if you use Haemovin. (A British product). Obtainable at chemists or direct from Oakley Bowden & Co., (Madras) Ltd., 11, Western India House, Sir Phirozshah Mehta Road, Fort, Bombay. 2367

Deafness cured Permanently? Guaranteed cure without relapse. Combined treatment. Emerald Pills internally, and 'Rapid Aural Drop'. Full course Rs. 27-13. Money refund or permanent cure. Leucoderma: Permanent Cure Guaranteed. Scientifically admitted "Leucodermine" (regd.) Rs. 25-12 No matter who has failed. Dr. Sherman, Baliabhanga (Faridpur). 7445

Eye Cataract Dimness Cuts Improves sight. Write with stamps to "Makwana" Malad. 7607

PUBLIC NOTICES

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, BENGAL

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED from Muslim candidates for a post of Presidency Magistrate, Police Court, Calcutta. Candidates who have applied in response to the advertisement issued in February 1945 need not put in fresh application. Pay—600-900. Age—not more than 35. Qualification—must be (a) Barristers of England or Ireland or Members of the Faculty of Advocates in Scotland enrolled in the Calcutta High Court or (b) Advocates of the High Court of Calcutta, or (c) Attorneys of the High Court of Calcutta or (d) Pleaders; must be of 5 years standing. Full details may be obtained from the Secretary, Public Service Commission, Bengal, Darjeeling, personally or ON SENDING AN ADDRESSED ENVELOPE WITH A NINE PIES STAMP affixed. Application forms will not be supplied on receipt of mere stamps. Letters must not be addressed to the Secretary by name. Last date for receipt of applications on prescribed form, together with a treasury receipt for Rs. 5, 17th April 1945.

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NOTICE.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED from lady candidates for two posts of Writers in the Women's Section of the Department of Information and Broadcasting on a scale of Rs. 400-20-500-25-600 plus 10% war allowance. Candidates must be well educated and should be capable of writing in English, Urdu, and Hindi articles, short stories, etc. on subjects relating to the war and on matters in which women are interested, representing the women's point of view and the role to be undertaken by them in different spheres of Government and other activities. Applications stating qualifications, with copies of testimonials, should reach the Lady in Charge, Women's Section, Government of India, Department of Information and broadcasting, New Delhi not later than the 20th April 1945. Selected candidates will have to appear for interview at their own expense.

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EDUCATIONAL ADLETS

Hurry up! Last few weeks for enrolling for Senior Cambridge Examination. Non-Matriculates eligible. Mathematics, Second Language omissible. Oral-postal tuition. Bombay Tutorial College, opposite Jermahal, Dhobi Talao. 7622

Become Accountant, Secretary, Stenographer, Auditor, Insurance Officer by post D. Com. courses. American Correspondence College (BC). Delhi. 7539A

NURSES & SISTERS

Qualified Nurses, Hindus and Christians available any moment, Relief Association. Telephone 34479. 1852

MACHINERY WANTED

Wanted D. C. Generating Set 75 to 100 K. W. 480 volts with switch-gear, new or second hand in excellent condition. Prepared to give in exchange one D. C. Generating Set 40 K. W. 480 volts in good working order write to Box No. 2608, "Bombay Chronicle."

PLOTS FOR SALE

Plots for sale at hill station Lonavla and Khandala for Bungalow, Hotels, Factory, close to station, Wadekar's house 162, Budhwar, Poona City. (7656)

MISCELLANEOUS ADLETS

Always use health giving high class Confectionery and Biscuits, prepared by the Amritsar Sugar Mills Co., Ltd., Rohanakalan. Mr. Tandon representative staying at Bombay till 29-3-45 in Shree Mahakali Hindu Hotel, Nal Bazar, 3 Light, Place orders with him or write to Tandon Brothers, new Mandi, Muzaffarnagar, U.P. 7677

Economy Re-ink Typewriter Ribbons yourself—Five Minutes Job at an approximate cost of As. 2|- each. A ribbon could easily be reinked 1|2 doz. times. Particulars and ink from Chellradh and Co., "Longview" Whitefield (M.S.M.). 7649.

Best qualities of Shoe-Polishing cream and Dragon Blood Powder. Rs. 2|- Rs. 12|- per lb. respectively. League of Science, 10 Wellesley Square, Calcutta. 7668

MISCELLANEOUS WANTED

Wanted respectable firms or persons to represent us in share investments. Apply with particulars to City Investment Corporation Ltd., 7, Swallow Lane, Calcutta. 7589A

MISCELLANEOUS FOR SALE

Shares—Some Shares in National Chemical and Salt Works (India) Ltd., (both fully paid at Rs. 10/- and partly paid at Rs. 4/-) are available in small and big lots at a small premium. Company paying dividend regularly since 1940. Please write to Messrs. City Investment Corporation Ltd., 7, Swallow Lane, Calcutta. 2639

Ceiling Fan—Guaranteed quality A. C. Ceiling Fans 36" and 48" sweep. Prices and details from:—Exel Trading Corporation, Kasturchand Mills Estate, Dadar, Bombay Tel: 60885. 2215

Now available famous Balloon Soap Chips at your door direct from factory at factory price 14 lbs. Rs. 5-8. Dial 30378. 7492

LOST OR MISLAID

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that Share Certificate No. B 1092 for Five Shares Nos. 150456 to 460 in the Reserve Bank of India, originally issued in the name of MISS HOMI COWASJI DHANJISHAW ANKLESARIA and last endorsed to the undersigned has been lost, stolen or mislaid. Due notice thereof has been given to the Bank and all persons are warned against dealing with the Share Certificate in any way.

(Miss) HOMI COWASJI DHANJISHAW ANKLESARIA, Shareholder.

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THE CHHOI SILK MILL COMPANY, LIMITED

NOTICE.

THE FORTY-NINTH ANNUAL ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of the shareholders of the above Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, Bombay Mutual Building, Sir Pherozeshah Mehta Road, Fort, Bombay, on WEDNESDAY, 28th March, 1945, at 4 p.m. (New Standard Time) to transact the following business:—

1. To receive and adopt Directors' Report and Audited Statements of accounts for the year ended 30th June, 1944.
2. To Sanction the declaration of a dividend.
3. To elect Directors in place of those who retire by rotation, but who are eligible for re-election.
4. To appoint Auditor or Auditors for the current year and to fix his or their remuneration.
5. To transact any other business the Chairman may bring before the Meeting.

N. B.—The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from 23rd day of March to 7th day of April, 1945 both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board, CHHOI KOOKA DESAI & CO., Managing Agents.

Bombay, 7th March, 1945.

N. B.—The Dividend as sanctioned by the Meeting will be paid on and after Monday the 9th day of April 1945, during office hours, at the Registered Office of the Company, to those Shareholders whose names stand on the Register on the 22nd March, 1945.

Dividend Warrants will be duly posted to the Shareholders.

To

The Shareholders of The Chhoi Silk Mill Co., Ltd., and in particular to:—

Messrs. Burjorji Pestonji Moolan, James Richards James, Keshavlal Chhotalal, Madhavji Govindji Mody, Manekshaw Bapooji Desai and Navnitlal Shamaldas.

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BOMBAY PORT TRUST.

LABOUR WELFARE DEPARTMENT

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED for the post of "WOMAN WELFARE WORKER."

PAY—Rs. 200—10—400 PLUS a conveyance allowance of Rs. 50 per month and such House Allowance as may be admissible under the Rules PLUS a temporary War Allawance which at present is fixed at 10 per cent. of pay. A higher starting pay upto Rs. 300 per month may be given, if the selected candidate possesses special experience or qualifications. The post is full-time and permanent and no private practice will be allowed. The selected candidate will be on probation for a period of one year, whereafter she will be confirmed if found suitable. If confirmed in the appointment, she will be subject in all respects to the Trustees' Service Rules including Provident Fund, Leave, etc.

QUALIFICATIONS—M.B., B.S. of an Indian University or an equivalent British Qualification. Preference will be given to candidates who have experience of Labour or Social Welfare Work, or who possess Health Visitors' Diploma or other Social Service. Qualifications Knowledge of Marathi and Hindi essential.

DUTIES—The principal duties of the post will be (a) to visit periodically families of labourers residing in Port Trust Quarters with a view to advising them about matters relating to health, home-hygiene, maternity, care of children, treatment of minor ailments, etc. and (b) to collect statistics and other material for schemes of social amelioration and generally to assist the Labour Welfare Officer.

Applications, which must be in the candidates' own handwriting, stating age, nationality, previous experience, academical and other special qualifications, present appointment, etc. accompanied by references and copies of testimonials (which will not be returned) should be forwarded to the undersigned in sealed covers marked "WOMAN WELFARE WORKER" so as to reach him not later than 16th April, 1945.

Any attempt to influence directly or indirectly a member of the Board of Trustees or any Officer of the Bombay Port Trust will disqualify the candidate concerned.

BATUK H. MEHTA, Labour Welfare Officer. Bombay Port Trust, Ballard Road, Fort, Bombay.

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NOTICE.

OFFERS INVITED for purchase of a VALUABLE IMMOVABLE PROPERTY centrally situated in GIRGAUM FREEHOLD land and buildings. Apply: Messrs. NANU HORMASJEE & CO. Solicitors, Fort Chambers, Hamam Street, Bombay. (2651)

TENDER NOTICE.

THE DIVISIONAL ENGINEER, G.I.P. Railway, Bombay, invites tenders upto 12 hours on 9-4-45 for painting of Berkley Place at Byculla. The form of tender schedule and conditions of contract can be obtained from his office on payment of Rs. 2|- per set. This sum will not be refunded.

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GOVERNMENT OF INDIA DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY

Office of the Controller of Supplies, Strand House, Ballard Estate, Bombay.

TENDER NOTICE

THE CONTROLLER OF SUPPLIES, Bombay, invites Tender No. BSY|CHEM|2389 to reach him on or before the 9th April 1945 on forms (not transferable), obtainable from his office at Rs. 6|- (not refundable) per set, to be paid in cash, by money order or Indian Postal Order (quoting tender No. full name and address of the remitter) for:—

OLEUM ARACHIS B.P. 92675 lbs

Applicants not already on approved list of Supply Department Contractors must give their Bankers reference on application for Tender form.

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THE BOMBAY STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

THOSE who have not yet taken delivery of the Debenture Bonds are hereby requested to present the official stamped receipts and receive the relative Debenture Bonds without delay.

For The Bombay Steam Navigation Co, Ltd.,
For The Scindia Steam Navigation Co, Ltd.,
NAROTTAM MORARJEE & CO., Agents, Managing Agents.

Bombay, 26-3-1945.

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NOTICE.

TENDERS ARE INVITED for the purchase and removal of about 47 tons of wire nails of various sizes recovered from packing cases lying at the Government Timber Salvage Depot, Matunga (near Wadala Station). The Nails can be inspected at site by previous appointment with the Officer-in-Charge, Government Timber Salvage Depot, Matunga.

The Conditions of sale will be as per Con. 117 and the intending purchasers are required to fully satisfy themselves as to the condition of the store before submitting their quotations.

Tenders should be submitted in sealed, covers superscribed Tender No. CS|SYD|980 for wire nails due on 2-4-45 and should be submitted to the Controller of Supplies, (Disposals Br.) Strand House, Ballard Estate, Bombay, so as to reach not later than 4 P.M. on 2-4-45 and shall remain open till 18-4-45.

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THE CENTRAL BANK OF INDIA LIMITED

LOST OR MISLAID

SHARE CERTIFICATES in respect of following shares of THE CENTRAL BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED have been lost, mislaid or accidentally destroyed.

(1) 10 Shares Nos. 169091|169100 standing in the name of late Bai Shirinbai Erachsha Surty. (Claimed by Nowrojee Erachshaw Surty).
(2) 5 Shares Nos. 375521|375525 standing in the name of Mr. Bhagwandas Jeshamal.
(3) 5 Shares Nos. 199808|199812 standing in the name of Mr. F. D. Vasania.
(4) 5 Shares Nos. 96652, 215935, 215936, 214651 and 214652 standing in the name of Mr. M. S. Kanakasabapathi.

Any claim in respect of aforesaid shares should be notified at the registered office of the Bank, Central Bank Building, Esplanade Road, Fort, Bombay, within one month from the date otherwise Duplicate Share Certificates will be issued to the abovenamed owners, respectively.

H. C. CAPTAIN, Managing Director.

Bombay, 26th March, 1945.

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BOMBAY MUNICIPALITY

NOTICE

IN VIEW of the large number of patients suffering from the more serious infectious diseases seeking admission to the Municipal Infectious Diseases Hospitals, and the limited accommodation available, the Hospital authorities have been obliged to restrict the admission of patients suffering from the less serious diseases (such as Mumps, Measles, Chicken-pox, Whooping Cough, etc.). This restriction, which is necessary for ensuring that proper care and nursing is provided for all patients admitted to the Hospitals, will, I regret, have to be continued, until the conditions at the Hospitals return to normal.

U. M. MIRCHANDANI, Municipal Commissioner for the City of Bombay.

26-3-1945.

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GOVT. OF INDIA

DEPARTMENT OF SUPPLY

Office of the Controller of Supplies (Disposals), Strand House, Graham Road, Ballard Estate, BOMBAY.

AUCTION NOTICE

LARGE QUANTITIES of Miscellaneous Waste Stores such as Cotton and Canvas Cuttings Hoop iron bits, Tarred Paper Waste, Gunny Old, Buttons, Oil-dressed Fabric, Tape Cotton Khaki, etc., etc., will be offered for sale in a public auction to be held at the Ordnance Clothing Factory, Jacob Circle, Bombay 14, on Thursday, the 29th of March '45, at 11 A.M. The stores to be sold can be viewed at site by previous arrangement with the Controller of Clothing, Bombay Circle, Ord. Clo. Fy. Jacob Circle, Bombay, 11.

Further details can be had from M|s. Gandhi & Co. Govt. Auctioneers 72 Medows Street, Fort, Bombay.

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PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION, BENGAL.

APPLICATIONS ARE INVITED from male candidates to fill four permanent posts of Superintendent of Agriculture in the Bengal Agricultural Service for employment as Superintendent in Poultry farms under the Director of Agriculture, Bengal, of the four posts two are reserved for Muslims and two for non-Muslims of whom one should be a member of Scheduled Caste community. Pay —150-650. Age—must not be over 25. Age limit may be relaxed in special cases. Qualifications must have a University degree in Agriculture or Veterinary Science with special training and experience in Poultry-Keeping on a large scale. Full details may be obtained from the Secretary, Public Service Commission, Bengal, Darjeeling, personally or ON SENDING AN ADDRESSED ENVELOPE WITH A NINE PIES STAMP affixed. Application forms will not be supplied on receipt of mere stamps. Letters must not be addressed to the Secretary by name. Last date for receipt of applications on prescribed form, together with a treasury receipt for Rs. 5, 11th April, 1945.

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AUCTION SALES

Under instructions from the B. B. & C. I. Railway and in accordance with the provisions of Sections 55 and 56 of the Indian Railways Act No. IX of 1890, MENESSE & CO., will sell by Public Auction at the risk of the owners on FRIDAY, the 13th April 1945 at 2 p.m. (S.T.) at Carnac Bridge Goods Depot booked and unbooked goods.

MENESSE & CO.

AUCTION SALE OF VERY VALUABLE PROPERTY SITUATE AT TARDEO AND KNOWN AS "RAJA BAHADUR MOTILAL BOMBAY MILLS LTD."

Under instructions from Messrs. Ghulamali Noorani & Co., Attorneys for Messrs. Raja Bahadur Motilal Bombay Mills Ltd., Messrs BENNETT & CO., will on Monday the 16th April, 1945 at 4-30 p.m. (N.S.T.) sell by Public Auction on the premises:—

All that piece of leasehold land together with buildings standing thereon (except 3 temporary structures erected by tenants) and known as the Raja Bahadur Motilal Bombay, Mills Ltd., situate at Tardeo, admeasuring about 10924 square yards, bearing Collector's New No. 453, New Survey No. 7084, Cadastral Survey No. 728 Malabar Division and assessed by the Municipality under Ward D 3752, Nos. 1 to 12, Street Nos. 156, 156A, 140, 156B, 156, 156A, 156 H, 160 C, 160 D, 160 E, 160 F, 160 G, 160 H, 156 J, 156 K, 156 L, 156 M, 160 J, 160 K and bounded on the East by Tardeo Road, on the West by the property belonging to Dowager Lady Dinshaw Petit and others, Executors of the late D. M. Petit, 2nd Baronet, on the North by the property of Mohamedbhai Yusufbhai and on the South partly by the property of Pestonji Framji Gagrat and others, Trustees of Chandanbai Behramji Batlivala and partly by the property of Dowager Lady Dinshaw Petit and others Executors of the late D. M. Petit 2nd Baronet.

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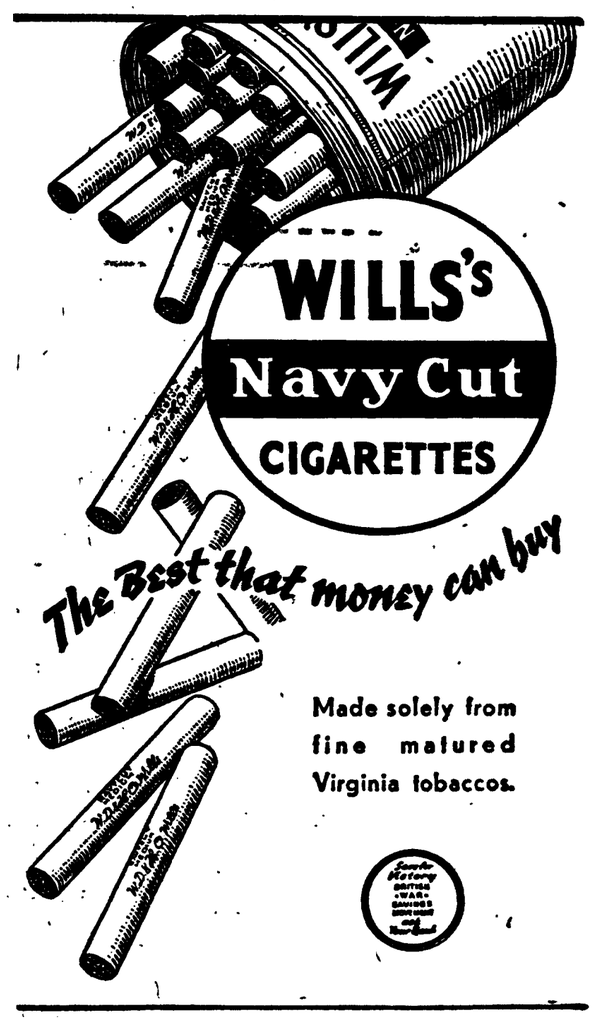

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